



NEW CRACKDOWN OVER BLUE BINS

BY DAVID BANNER

CANNOCK Chase Council has launched a 'contamination campaign, warning residents that if they put any wrong items in their blue bin, it will not get emptied.

The publicity drive follows an increased in the number of loads being rejected at the council's materials recycling facility after they were found to contain unacceptable items and or materials.

The council is focusing on key items which have been regularly found in rejected loads of dry recycling – nappies, animal bedding, black refuse sacks, food waste and paints pots.

Since April 2015, the council has seen an ongoing increase in contaminated loads, equating to hundreds of tons of materials that could not be recycled correctly.



Publicity campaign

Councillor John Preece, environment portfolio leader, said: "The council can only accept items in the blue recycling bin that can be sorted by the recycling facility that we use.

"We are aware that recycling can be confusing for some people.

"However, we would ask residents to only put the items/materials that are specified in the waste and recycling calendar into the blue recycling bin."

The message behind the contamination campaign will be displayed throughout the district in the form of newspaper adverts, bus advertising and 'vehicle vinyls'.

Campaign messages and information will be posted on social media and the council's website.

During September, warning tags will be issued to residents if black refuse sacks are found in the blue bin, with a warning that all items should be loose and not in bags.

From October, if black bags are found in the blue bin, it will be tagged and not emptied, and residents will be responsible for removing the items.

The bin will then be collected on the next scheduled dry-recycling collection day, two weeks later.

The council has warned residents that its contractor, Biffa Municipal Ltd, will not return before that date.

If residents are unsure of what goes into which bin, a search facility is available on the council's website at www.cannockchasedc.gov.uk/whichbin to assist with ensuring the right item is disposed of correctly.

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HEN HOUSE TEAM ARE HIGH IN THE PECKING ORDER



The Hen House quiz team, from left, Joe Dakin, Ross Fellow, Craig Newton and Allan Condon, look forward to the Molineux final

A PUB quiz team from Hednesford are gearing up to compete in the national finals later this year.

The four-man team from the The Hen House in Eskrett Street will be competing at Molineux Stadium on September 25 in the Great British Pub Quiz final.

The group, starring Allan Condon, Ross Fellow, Craig Newton and Joe Dakin, won through to the final after winning the regional final earlier this year.

According to Mr Condon, aged 50, who

owns and runs The Hen House, the group had entered the regional final just 'for fun' and did not think they had any chance when they learned that a team who came fourth in last year's grand final were competing.

But after the team won the first two rounds, they realised they were in with a shot and eventually took the crown after a 10/10 final round on the topic of films.

Mr Condon said: "We hold a weekly quiz at our pub with the questions supplied by Red-tooth.

"Because they supply our questions and also run this competition we were invited to the regional final.

"A group of regulars at the pub are coming down to support us in September – we have a full minibus of 12 so far.

"We are looking forward to it, especially as we only went to the regional final for a bit of fun."

Mr Condon added that the team are brushing up on music before the final, and that their strongest round is films.

POLICE

Drunk staggers across the M6

A 'DRUNKEN' pedestrian was arrested after staggering across eight lanes of the M6 near Cannock in the morning rush hour. Police said officers risked their own safety by pursuing the man between junctions 10a and 10 at 9am on Monday.

The Central Motorway Police Group posted updates on its Twitter feed.

It said: "Drunken pedestrian decided to stagger across all 8 lanes of the M6!! Officers have had to put themselves at risk and tackle him in live lanes."

A follow-up post said: "M6 now clear J10. Drunk on his way to the cells."

TALK

Author to tell of memorial names

CHESLYN Hay & District Local History Society will host a talk by author Paul Bedford next week.

'Not Just Names' will take a look at the Cheslyn Hay men listed on the war memorial. The talk is at the Salem Hall, in High Street, Cheslyn Hay, on Thursday, August 25 at 7.30pm. Admission is £1 including refreshments.

Anyone requiring further information can contact Trevor McFarlane by calling 01922 414772 or emailing trevor.cheslynhayhistory@talktalk.net

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WARNING

Female jogger is chased by a man

A FEMALE jogger was chased by a man in Burntwood, prompting a police warning.

The runner was in Coulter Lane when she was approached by a man in a silver and blue Vauxhall Corsa.

He made inappropriate comments before he followed her in the car and on foot. The woman got away. The incident happened on Tuesday last week at 6.45pm.

A Staffordshire Police spokeswoman said: "Local officers are aware of the incident and have spoken to the informant."

"Runners are reminded to take normal sensible personal safety precautions and report anything suspicious to police."

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Corrie star at pupils' fundraising ball



Tiegian Flint

THREE pupils at a Rugeley school have organised a Black & White Ball to raise funds to help pay for a one-month voluntary expedition to Cambodia.

Tiegian Flint, aged 15, and her friends Jessica Archer and Laura Nesbitt will be staging the event at The Cedar Tree Hotel in Rugeley on September 3.

"Jack P Shephard, who plays David Platt in Coronation Street, will be attending, and hosting our live auction," Tiegian said.

She added that the expedition is a 'once in a lifetime opportunity' to help people less fortunate than her. "Along with

other students from The Heart School in Rugeley, I am excited to be a part of such an amazing experience.

"Whilst in Cambodia I shall be helping with painting, plastering and repairing and building new schools, living accommodation, a re-forestation programme, marine conservation, teaching basic English conversational skills, farming and living within the communities.

"Not only is this a great opportunity but also it will give me great life skills, and help to build my confidence and self-esteem."

The fundraising ball runs from 7pm

until midnight and will include a light buffet and DJ. We have some fantastic business sponsorship packages available. Please get in touch if this appeals to you," Tiegian added.

Tickets are available to purchase on the night on the door or from Maria on 07795 155507. Admission is £15 for adults and £10 for under-18s.

"We would like to thank our sponsors Access Covers in Rugeley and Fradley Fit. Links are on our events page on Facebook," Tiegian said. There is a crowdfunding page at crowdfunding.justgiving.com/tiegian-cambodia

MP launches petition on changes to bus services

CANNOCK Chase MP Amanda Milling has launched a petition against proposed changes by Arriva to withdraw and reduce some bus services in the district.

Arriva is looking to change a number of bus routes, with some services withdrawn completely. The proposals have been met by opposition from local residents and Ms Milling.

She said she has received many messages from residents who are opposed to these changes and the impact they will cause. "Again, I am having to fight Arriva withdrawing bus services in Cannock Chase," she said.

"Over the last couple of years we have had to fight to save services in Norton Canes. Yet again Arriva are proposing to withdraw these services as well as other services across the area which local residents rely on.

"These changes will have a detrimental impact on our local communities."

Arriva is looking to implement the changes in early September. The company has blamed the shake-up on low passenger numbers on some routes.

The MP added: "In early July, Arriva asked me to support their Catch the Bus Week campaign. Now we are in a situation where I am trying to protect local bus services which residents are dependent upon to get to local shops, the GP and community facilities.

"I would strongly urge local residents to sign the petition."

Anyone wanting to sign the petition can do so at www.amandamilling.com

Council to pay £24,000 after rubbish rejected

A £24,000 council bill has been racked up in four months due to 'contaminated loads' in Cannock Chase being rejected by recycling centres.

It costs the district council £1,500 each time a load is turned away due to incorrect waste being placed in blue bins. Since mid-April, 16 loads have been refused.

That has meant 125 tons of material has not been recycled and has had to go to landfill instead. It comes as Cannock Chase Council has warned residents their bins will not be collected if they contain incorrect items. Councillor John Preece, responsible for the environment, said: "The council can only accept items in the blue recycling bin that can be sorted by the recycling facility that we use."

The council has launched a crackdown on particular items which are wrongly put in blue bins including nappies, animal bedding, food waste, paint pits and black rubbish sacks. From September, warning tags will be issued to residents if black refuse sacks are found in the recycling bins.

Capable

But from October, waste collectors Biffa will refuse to empty a bin if residents have failed to heed the warning and they will not return until the next recycling collection day a fortnight later. A council spokesman said: "Unfortunately some residents insist on hiding unsuitable items such as nappies, food waste and animal bedding in refuse sacks/bags; this has become such a problem that the council has now decided to refuse to take bins containing them.

"The council has a contract with the recycling facility to deliver specific materials that the facility is capable of sorting. A load that contains the wrong items/materials will be rejected at a cost to the council.

"The council has had 16 contaminated loads since April 16. This equates to 125 tons of materials that have not been recycled. Most local councils have difficulty with contamination from time to time but unfortunately Cannock Chase seems to have a larger problem than its neighbouring Staffordshire authorities that use the same materials recycling facility."

The Environment Agency started clamping down last year in response to poorer quality loads throughout the country.

Getting a-head with fundraising



Katherine Keatley with her friend Tina Dunkley, whose cancer battle inspired the fundraiser

A CHESLYN HAY woman has joined more than 16,000 others nationwide - by braving the shave for charity.

Katherine Keatley, aged 47, had the close shave as part of the Macmillan Cancer appeal. So far nationally, more than £1.4 million has been raised, and Mrs Keatley has added nearly £800 to that total. She had set a target of between £500 and £1,000 - and may still have more money to come in.

A textile artist who also teaches historical workshops in schools, Mrs Keatley decided on the venture having lost family and friends to the disease. One friend,

Tina Dunkley, whose own battle has inspired Mrs Keatley, was among those witnessing the shave at Hawkins Sports & Social Club, in Coppice Lane, Cheslyn Hay. Mrs Keatley's own hairdresser, Sally Fisher, from Cut Above, Cannock, carried out the task during a quiz, which generated around £350 alone.

Katherine said: "I feel like I have my hair tied up all the time, and it's chilly when I walk the dog, but other than that it feels great and it doesn't bother me."

Donations can still be made by visiting www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Katherine-Keatley



Before the shave

Muggers attack man with brick

A MAN was hit by a brick in an attempted robbery by four masked men near a Cannock pub. The attack happened near a wooded area on the field behind the Mill Farm pub in Lichfield Road.

The victim refused to give up his mobile phone when threatened and suffered cut marks to his cheek. He was treated by ambulance staff following the incident at 3.30pm on Sunday, July 31.

The assailants are described as white, in their mid-20s and had their faces covered. The ringleader was wearing a black Nike tracksuit, black Nike trainers, gloves, and a black and white bandana around his face and had his hood pulled up.

He had a local accent, and was about 5ft 10in with a broad build. The other three were wearing leisure clothing.

Stick Man trail to stay for rest of year

THE Stick Man trail at Birches Valley on Cannock Chase is to remain open until the end of this year due to popular demand.

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Police boss: We escaped worst of cutbacks

PREDICTED cuts to Staffordshire Police have not materialised, the force's top officer has said, as a plan to recruit dozens of officers moves forward.

Chief Constable Jane Sawyers was speaking on the back of a recruitment drive aimed at keeping the number of officers to around 1,650.

The force already has 400 potential officers booked on its assessment centres – but is on the look out for hundreds more, with the aim of filling gaps left by departing officers.

Two years ago the force's financial teams were expecting to have to make savings due to government cuts.

However, Ms Sawyers would not rule out the closure of police stations, adding that she would welcome proposals to share bases with councils and the fire authority.

Ms Sawyers said: "We were expecting more significant cuts over the next five years – they were not as significant. That means we have been able to put more money than expected into areas such as recruitment.

"At the moment we are not planning any closures of police stations. However, we look to save money at every opportunity. And if we can save money sharing buildings to recruit police officers, I would always do that."

In January it was announced a Home Office grant for 2016-17 would remain at £118.4 million – the same amount received in the previous financial year. The figure, however, when factoring inflation, meant a cut of between two and five per cent.

Club in court over noise claim

A CANNOCK working men's club has denied contravening noise abatement notices.

The secretary of Chadsmoor Progressive Club Limited, Reginald Saunders, appeared on behalf of the club at Stafford Magistrates Court.

The club, based in Burns Street, Cannock, is accused of failing to comply with abatement notices, as part of the Environmental Protection Act 1990, on November 14, 2015, December 5, 2015 and February 20, 2016.

The charge has been denied.

The hearing was adjourned for a trial to take place at Cannock Magistrates Court.

It is expected to last for three days and will take place on November 14, November 15 and November 17.

Village is next to go 'ultra-fast'

FEATHERSTONE will be next to benefit from an 'ultra-fast' broadband and entertainment boost this year, Virgin Media has announced.

The upgrade is part of Virgin's £3bn network expansion across the UK.

Speedy deal sees new tenants move in



Newlands Court – 'good quality space'

A 10,000 sq ft office building in Burntwood has two new tenants in a complex and speedy deal put together by the Birmingham office of real estate company Cushman & Wakefield.

The building – Newlands Court, in Attwood Road – is owned by local entrepreneur John Dillon, and once housed his engineering business. This was sold to energy giant RWE npower, who, as part of the deal, took over the building.

RWE npower had a lease at Newlands Court until 2017 but moved out in 2015 leaving the building empty.

Now, since Christmas, David Rigby, of the Birmingham office of Cushman & Wakefield, has not only found two tenants to occupy the building, but has also secured the surrender of npower's interest in it.

The new tenants are Chasetown Civil Engineering, which has taken the ground floor, and City & Guilds, now occupying the first and second floor. The former has moved in on a short-term 12-month basis while it develops new premises for itself in the locality. The other tenant, City & Guilds, is a skills development organ-

isation, and is moving to Newlands Court from Lichfield. The organisation has taken a five-year lease.

Mr Rigby said: "This is a great result for our client, John Dillon, as it has saved his company a great deal of money by turning an empty building into one that is fully let, in just six months.

"The building may be considered to be off the beaten track, but it shows that even in somewhere like Cannock Chase there is substantial demand for good quality office space at the current time."

Tower stands out in bid to guard heritage

URGENT calls have been made to protect Cannock Chase's Pye Green Tower in a bid to safeguard the area's heritage.

Made from reinforced concrete, and standing almost 100 metres high, the telecommunications tower on Broadhurst Green, Hednesford, is a landmark which can be seen for miles around.

Hednesford Town Council is hoping residents will recognise the building's worth, being one of only a few telecommunication towers still standing in the UK, and having formed the backbone of British Cold War communications, used to transmit both civil and military signals.

It is being highlighted as an important part of the Hednesford's history, along with a number of other buildings around the town, including St Saviour's Church, The Hen House pub and West Hill Primary School.

Councillor Brian Gamble, who has been involved in promoting the Neighbourhood Plan, said he

hopes people will recognise the importance of certain buildings and get behind protecting them.

"It's important that everyone who works, lives and visits the area has their say on the future of Hednesford," he said.

"And to do that, it's important also to understand some of the town's past, and how much these buildings play a part in that," he said.

"The Neighbourhood Plan will affect many key features of the town, from historical landmarks to housing and public spaces. We're excited to see this people power in action.

"We know how passionate the people of Hednesford are and we look forward to working with them to establish the future."

The landmarks have all been listed in the Hednesford Neighbourhood Plan for retention, which would help protect the buildings for the future.

These buildings have been identified as making a positive contribution to the character of the area, which may not warrant statutory listing, but could be included in a local list of buildings to preserve wherever possible.



Head nurse Nicky Smith outside The 387 Veterinary Centre in Great Wyrley – 'it has really shaken everybody up'

Masked men grab safe in vets raid

VETERINARY staff have been left 'shaken' following a break-in by masked raiders who stole a safe.

The 387 Veterinary Centre in Great Wyrley in the early hours of Friday.

Three men wearing masks and gloves were captured on CCTV prowling on the roof of the Walsall Road surgery.

It is believed they smashed the alarm system at the premises, left the scene after a brief look around, and returned half an hour later. They made off with a large heavy-duty safe which contained cash as well as 700 Tramadol tablets.

Staffordshire Police said a 'large amount' of cash was taken. Head nurse Nicky Smith said: "We have never had anything like this happen to us before.

"This is a very small friendly community, and it has really shaken everybody up. We will be looking at things now to try and prevent this happening again."

Police spokeswoman Jeanette Bate said: "If anyone has any information about this incident or if they are offered any of the Tramadol tablets, they should contact Staffordshire Police."

NEWS IN BRIEF

Busking spot at shopping centre

MUSICIANS in Cannock are being encouraged to raise money for charity by busking to crowds of shoppers.

Cannock Shopping Centre has put out a call for singers and performers as part of its new Buskstop campaign.

Those wishing to register their interest need to submit an mp3, video or YouTube clip link of them performing to cannocksc@pmwcom.co.uk

It should be submitted along with their name, age, a short description of their musical talents and the name of the charity or organisation for which they would like to raise money.

Spaces available at car boot sale

A SPECIAL one-off car boot sale is being held outside the Brewery Street Shopping Centre in Rugeley on Sunday, August 21 from 8am until 2pm.

"There are lots of spaces available for anyone who has items they wish to sell and pass on so why not come along on the day or contact the centre directly to book a space?" the centre's David Allen said.

"It's only £5 per space and it promises to be both fun and a great way of recycling unwanted bits and pieces."

Call David Allen at the centre on 01889 583787 or 07905 297904.

Cancer roadshow in two-day visit

THE Be Clear on Cancer roadshow will be stopping off at Cannock Shopping Centre on September 9 and 10.

As part of a new Public Health England campaign, the roadshow is visiting the region to raise awareness that a persistent cough, or getting out of breath doing everyday things, could be a sign of lung cancer or other lung disease. Breathlessness can also be a sign of heart disease.

Campaign information is available by contacting 0203 003 6538.

Date is set for fine food and craft fair

A FINE Food & Craft Market will be held in Penkridge on Saturday, August 20.

The event will take place at Penkridge Market between 9am and 3.30pm. There will be a wide range of local produce as well as craft stalls.

All the regular traders will be there, selling everything from fruit and veg to fishing tackle.

Admission and parking are free. Contact 01785 714221 or visit www.penkridgemarket.co.uk for details.

Break-in at bookies

CASH was stolen when thieves broke into Stan James bookmakers in Chase Road, Burntwood, in the early hours of Thursday. It is believed there were three people wearing balaclavas and they escaped in a silver Ford Focus. They were seen going along Chase Terrace towards Hospital Road.

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TWO news reports on the same day this week provide food for thought. First, the University of Wolverhampton unveiled plans for a new 10-storey development of 800 student flats. Next, a survey by the insurance firm Aviva revealed that more than a third of graduates regret going to university. Half reckon they would have landed their current job without a degree. No surprises there. It is blindingly obvious that Britain can never provide enough high-level jobs for the 745,000 graduates and post-graduates leaving university each year – with an average of £40,000 debt apiece.

YET the academics and developers in Wolverhampton, and in dozens of other university towns and cities, clearly see no end to the higher-education boom. New teaching and accommodation blocks are going up everywhere, providing excellent employment for bricklayers, plasterers, electricians and plumbers, and huge profits for building contractors.

Isn't it curious that the people making real money out of the university boom, the ones who are debt-free and currently swanning around the Med on long, long holidays, are tradesmen who never went to university? Somewhere in here there is a PhD in irony.

INCIDENTALLY, the holiday I most envy this summer is the five-week trip skippering a 35-foot yacht around the Greek islands, currently being enjoyed by the bloke who empties my septic tank. Where there's muck, etc . . .



J E W I S H jokes, Irish jokes, casual sexism and a "Red Indian" dance committing the unpardonable sin of cultural appropriation. Does anyone

at the Yesterday channel vet the repeats of 1970s The Two Ronnies before screening them? And do we all feel guilty about laughing?

A TWITTER account in Walsall says it will "name and shame" men caught urinating on its CCTV camera (Okay, not actually on the camera but in the area covered by the camera). The implication is that offenders, including two suspected bus drivers, have some choice in the matter.

I can only assume that those setting the trap have not yet reached middle-age and experienced the eye-watering urgency that can go with blood-pressure tablets or prostate problems. If there were more public loos there would be less public peeing.

A DAILY Telegraph reader reports that the e-passport gate at Heathrow has instructions which begin with the order to remove your glasses.

He can't tell us what the following instructions were.

Don't miss Peter Rhodes every Monday to Friday in your Express & Star

Final call for names on memorial

CHAPS (Chase Arts for Public Spaces) is urging anyone who wishes to apply for a named brick at the mining memorial in Hednesford to do so by the end of the month.

"August 31 is the absolute final date for applications for bricks – there will be no further opportunities," the group's secretary Trish Mellor said. "Since the giant Davy Lamp and the wall of names was first

installed in 2006 there have been two further phases of bricks prior to this one and currently there are over 3,500 names in the memorial.

"This final phase, the fourth, has had an excellent response with applications from Canada, South Africa and Spain as well as from all over Great Britain.

"Anyone who worked at any of the pits, above or underground, in the

Cannock Chase coalfield can have their name inscribed on a brick. The cost for each inscribed brick is £25."

August 31 is also the last date to request a copy of the book 'A Lasting Tribute', which gives a short history of each of the pits in the Cannock Chase coalfield as well as containing all of the names on the bricks.

The books will be reprinted to ensure everyone who orders a copy will

have one but there will be no further reprints. There will, however, be a specially prepared insert for the book containing all names included in the fourth phase, and this will be offered free of charge to all who order a book or who already own one.

Visit www.chaseartsforpublicspaces.co.uk or contact Trish Mellor at trishmellor@yahoo.co.uk or Mike Mellor on 07583 655199.

Toll road grants speed up schools' projects

By Simon Stone

FIVE primary schools are celebrating a cash boost of £3,000 each thanks to being selected as winners of the M6 Toll Midland Expressway Schools Foundation awards for 2016-17.

The scheme, now in its third year, invites primary schools within a five-mile radius of the toll road to submit applications for the funding of a school project or initiative.

The entrants are then judged by the Schools Foundation Panel which chooses five winners.

Chase Terrace Primary School use its grant to pay for a large, imaginative, wooden play ship which will become the centrepiece of the school playground.

"The ship will enable topics and themes to come to life outside the classroom," headteacher Gordon McBurnie said.

Purchase

Two schools in Great Wyrley are also grant recipients – Landywood Primary School, which will be able to invest in iPads for their 'digital discovery' lessons and St Thomas More Catholic School where a healthy eating initiative has been rewarded with money to spend on three mobile kitchen units, complete with equipment.

Millfield Primary School, in Brownhills, has earmarked its £3,000 for helping with the purchase of camping equipment including tents, sleeping bags and cooking utensils.

Whittington Primary School is also experiencing the great outdoors with a Mongolian yurt for its woodland adventure base, which is part of its Forest School Initiative.

Colin Mabey, IT and systems director at Midland Expressway Ltd, who presented the schools with their cheques, said: "The entrants this year were of an especially high standard and a variety of fascinating projects. Our five winners have great plans for the money which will undoubtedly enrich the school experience for many children".

Youngsters take note of music tour



Gorsemoor pupils Rhianna Harris, Owen Holland, Alex Hilditch and Holly Bush. all aged nine, hit the high notes

YOUNG musicians from Staffordshire took to the road in a bid to inspire a new generation of music makers at four primary schools.

The 16-piece jazz group from Stafford Grammar School were on the move to entertain and encourage younger children to take up a musical instrument. The band called in at Stafford's Barnfields Primary School before heading off to Churchfield Primary in Rugeley.

Their whistle-stop tour also included visits to Cannock-based St Luke's and Gorsemoor primary schools.

The teenagers talked about their musical instruments, gave demonstrations and played a variety of songs.

Eighteen-year-old saxophonist Molly Darley said: "The kids love it. There's often a few sat near the front with hands over their ears at the start because they ha-

ven't heard or experienced live music before and aren't quite sure what to expect.

"I first decided to get myself involved in music after I had seen a pit band accompany a musical, so I feel that live exposure is the best way to inspire young people.

"For some of the children, there are only nine or 10 years between us, and that really shows that it doesn't take ages to learn to play music and that they'll be able to accomplish something so great in not so long.

"The children are so responsive to the playing and really tell you what they think.

"Some even are so inspired that they come up to us as we are packing away and ask us questions.

"It really touches us to be asked questions about something we all love to do."

Teenager dies after his scooter hits a tree

POLICE are appealing for witnesses after a teenager died following an accident in Cannock.

Daniel Harper, 19, was riding a motor scooter which hit a tree at the Mill Green nature reserve, off



Daniel Harper

Lichfield Road, at 11.15am on August 7. His family are appealing for witnesses to come forward.

"Will people that have any information please let the police know about this incident," a statement issued through Staffordshire Police said. "We would like to point out that our son Daniel loved life, lived life to the full, he would help anybody and everybody and will be missed by all that knew him.

"He will be in our hearts forever, we would be grateful if you would respect our privacy in the days to come," the statement issued on behalf of Mum, Dad, Brother, Sister and Fiancé added.

Following the accident, Mr Harper, who was from the Bilston area, was taken by air ambulance to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham.

If anyone has any information about the incident, they are asked to call Staffordshire Police on 101 and quote reference 332 of August 7.

People can also contact the independent crime-fighting charity Crime-

stoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or through its anonymous online form at www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Host will be at the keyboard

BURNWOOD Music For All Group are looking forward to welcoming their own 'host', Chris Powell, in concert at The Memorial Institute Hall, in Rugeley Road, Burntwood, today (Thursday) at 7.30pm.

Apart from having compered and hosted the popular organ and keyboard shows at the venue for the past decade, Chris is in demand all around the world for his skills as one of the top keyboard entertainers.

The audience at Burntwood today can expect music from the likes of Abba, James Last, Glenn Miller, and Neil Diamond and a special 'Last Night Of The Proms' finale.

Tickets are £6.50. The venue has ample parking as well as a licensed bar, refreshments, raffle and good disabled access. Call 01530 274270.

Police appeal over theft of motorbike

POLICE are appealing for help after a Lexmoto Tornado 125 motorbike was stolen from a Cannock garden.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Pele heading for town despite op

BRAZILIAN football legend Pele is still on course to appear in Cannock despite pulling out of lighting the Olympic cauldron in Rio.

The 75-year-old was expected to play a major part in the opening ceremony but said he was not in the right physical condition, having had a hip operation earlier this year.

However, Scott Murray, owner of Bar Sport and the Premier Suite Lounge, which will host the sporting icon on Sunday, September 18, confirmed the date was still intact. "It will be great for Cannock," he said.

Cadets graduate at special event

STAFFORDSHIRE Junior Police Cadets – some based in Cannock and Stafford – graduated at a special event in Stoke-on-Trent.

The junior cadets were invited to join the police cadets, officers and PCSOs who have worked them to celebrate the graduation of 2,000 juniors through the scheme.

The original Cadet scheme, for 14 to 17-year-olds, was launched in 2013 to strengthen links between police and young people. There are now units in Cannock, Stafford, Codsall, Stoke-on-Trent, Tamworth and Longton.

Laptop and iPads among raid haul

TWO iPads and a laptop were among the items stolen when a house in Cannock was burgled.

The thieves broke into the property in Wolverhampton Road through an insecure front window. They made an untidy search before escaping with a laptop computer, two iPads and quantity of cash.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Staffordshire Police on 101 quoting incident number 108 of 9 August.

Disco to raise funds for the British Legion

A THROUGH the Decades disco will take place at Harrison's Sports and Social Club in Wharwell Lane, Great Wyrley, next month to raise money for the Royal British Legion.

Tickets are £3 each. The event on September 16 runs from 7.30pm until late.

For further details, go to the Great Wyrley Royal British Legion Facebook page at www.facebook.com/greatwyrleyRBL or call Rebecca on 07597 202688.

Nine-mile ramble

CHASE Ramblers' walk this Sunday is on a nine-mile moderate route from Coton In The Elms. The meeting point as usual is Hednesford railway station car park, in Anglesey Street, for a 9am prompt departure. For further details contact John on 01543 677816. New walkers are welcome.

First look at new A&E children's entrance



An artist's impression of the entrance

THE first image showing how the new children's entrance to the A&E department at County Hospital will look has been released.

The new entrance, designed by the University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust, is set to open later this year as part of a multi-million pound redevelopment of the department, which will see a new rapid assessment and treatment area and a revamped resuscitation area.

The trust says it will 'make it easier' for patients and families to 'navigate their way around the site' while

also 'improving ambulance drop-offs'. Dr Mark Rago, emergency medicine consultant at the A&E department, said: "Upon completion, the department's capacity will be increasing."

"Every effort has been made to ensure any disruption caused by the building works is kept to an absolute minimum. Our accident and emergency departments have been exceptionally busy this summer, and I would like to take this opportunity to reiterate its message that the public shouldn't attend A&E unless it's an accident or emergency."

The image comes as the trust's plans for a revamped access route to the department were approved by Stafford Borough Council. Under the plans, submitted in June and approved earlier this month, a new decontamination unit with drainage storage tanks will also be built.

The trust want the new access road to allow two ambulances to drop off and pick up as well as allowing for turning with the hammer-head layout. Work on the A&E department is expected to be finished towards the end of November.

Library service volunteer teams at half-strength

CANNOCK Chase libraries are running with about half the volunteers they need to run a day-to-day service, it has emerged.

Hednesford Library, in Market Street, became one of the intended 23 libraries from Staffordshire's 43 to be transferred to the South Staffordshire and Shropshire NHS Trust (SSSFT) on July 21.

But it is understood that it has only nine volunteers – less than half the 20 it requires. The first wave of libraries transferred in June but the number of people applying to become volunteers appears to have been insufficient.

Cannock Chase Council leader Councillor George Adamson criticised Staffordshire County Council's plan to hand over running to the SSSFT. He said: "It is quite clear that this great vision of this idea of the volunteers coming forward has not happened. I hope to God [Hednesford Library] doesn't close."

There was so little interest in a training session for potential Heath Hayes Library volunteers that it had to be postponed.

"It has six volunteers but needs at least 10 more, according to a SSSFT spokeswoman."

Aware

Councillor Diane Todd, who represents Heath Hayes, said: "It is really, really worrying. I did ask at full council what Plan B was, and there is no plan B. I feel the council has done all this wrong. They should have had all the volunteers before they got rid of the staff."

Councillor Todd added that she was aware of days when libraries had to be closed because too few volunteers were available to help out.

Mark Cardwell, the SSSFT's social care professional, said: "Most of the libraries are self-sufficient and are running well."

"However, we do need more volunteers to come forward to ensure we can maintain current opening hours on all sites."

"We would particularly encourage people to come forward in Hednesford and Heath Hayes to support the 12 and seven volunteers respectively who have already signed up."

Staffordshire County Council's cabinet member for communities and the environment, Gill Heath, said: "This is one of the largest transfers of libraries to community hands in the country, and we've had more than 500 expressions of interest in volunteering, which is fantastic, and there's still room for more people, whether it's for one hour a week or 10."

Help raise £20k to change Sophie's life



Sophie Siddall, aged 16, with her mother Amie, who is raising funds for a new wheelchair

FRIENDS and relatives of a Rugeley teenager are busy trying to raise £20,000 for a wheelchair that could change her life.

Sophie Siddall, 16, who has cerebral palsy, would be able to be more independent than ever before if her mother Amie and a committee collecting the money can raise enough.

They have raised about £1,800 in a month towards their target – but a fundraiser at a Hixon pub

next month is set to push that total skyward. Amie explained why the Levo C3 stand-up wheelchair was needed: "At the push of a button she won't need to reach anything from a shelf. And she will be able to do things herself."

On an online fundraising page, Sophie, who lives in Ravenhill Terrace, says: "Please stand by me and help me stand in this new sit to stand chair."

Donations include £50 from a

former teacher at Redbrook Hayes Community Primary School in Rugeley and £300 from a classmate at Saxon Hill Academy in Lichfield. Staff at Brereton Pharmacy, in Main Road, have also clubbed together to organise a charity walk this Sunday.

The family fun day at Hixon will take place at the Green Man pub on Lea Road on September 3. To donate visit www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Sophie-Siddall3

'Notable' increase in fire staff absences

THERE has been a 'notable' increase in staff absences at Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service, a report states.

Absence cost the organisation £674,600 in 2015-16 in total, and the latest figures available show a large rise between February and April compared with the same period last year.

The increase has predominantly been in shift workers, with between 70 and 90 days lost per month during the period in 2015 compared with between 130 and 170 days a month lost in the same period this year.

Corinne Ward, human resources spokeswoman, said: "Overall, there has been a notable increase in absence in comparison to the same period in 2015. Uniformed absence has decreased by half, shift absence has increased very slightly."

"However, there has been a significant increase in support absence."

"A large proportion of this increase can be attributed to cases of surgery and post operative recovery, which the service cannot influence."

"Taking these absences out of the figures, there would still be an increase, however not so significant."

People are being encouraged to have their say on Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service's corporate safety plan for the period 2017 to 2020.

The plan puts prevention high on the agenda again, after more than 80,000 home fire risk checks were carried out over the last three years.

To have your say on the plans, visit www.staffordshirefire.gov.uk before October 16.

Groups to share in £500k fund

STAFFORDSHIRE Police and Crime Commissioner Matthew Ellis is providing £500,000 throughout 2016-17 to community groups.

The People Power Fund offers grants of between £100 and £3,000 to support locally driven safety activities throughout Staffordshire.

These could include providing long-term, sustainable positive activities for young people to help reduce anti-social behaviour, mentoring programmes for targeted local groups, through to activities that reassure and improve the quality of life in local areas. Closing date is September 14.

More details, including application forms and animated videos about the funds, are available by visiting www.staffordshire-pcc.gov.uk/fund

Burglars target wallet and iPhone

A WALLET and iPhone were taken by thieves who broke into a house in St John's Road, Cannock.

"Anyone with information should call 101 quoting incident number 146 of 8 August," a police spokesman said.

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IN MY VIEW

with Mark Andrews



Tragic end for such a magic goalscorer

WHEN Dalian Atkinson ripped up the Wimbledon defence in 1992, Villa fans had never seen anything like it. Starting deep in his own half, the moment he nonchalantly ran past the opposing players like they did not exist to chip the goalkeeper from outside the penalty area, he had the goal-of-the-season competition sewn up. And it was only October.

So it comes as little surprise that a generation of football fans have put aside club rivalries to mourn the death of the former Aston Villa striker, at the tragically young age of just 48.

Atkinson was a flawed genius, who delighted and frustrated fans in equal measure. He was unquestionably one of the most talented players of his generation, but struggled with injuries and never really reached the potential he obviously possessed.

But on his day, such as that miserable wet afternoon at Selhurst Park 24 years ago, he brought huge pleasure to thousands of people. That goal will surely have been watched over and over again during the past few days.

We do not yet know circumstances surrounding Atkinson's death at the hands of a police Taser gun. His nephew said he had a heart condition, and it may well be that he had other problems, but it is unquestionably a heartbreaking end to a life for someone with so much to live for.

As the new football season gets going in earnest, it is a timely reminder that there are more important things in life than football results. And that all the fame, wealth and adulation in the world can provide no protection against personal tragedy.

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SPECULATION that grammar schools could be in line for a comeback has been met with howls of derision from the usual suspects.

The National Union of Teachers – which for some reason is taking a six-week break from its usual threats of industrial action – is predictably against the plans, saying selective schools are 'socially divisive', and do nothing to improve the chances of youngsters from 'ordinary' backgrounds.

Well over the past half century, since the introduction of the first comprehensives, we have had nine prime ministers. Two, Tony Blair and David Cameron, went to elite private schools. Of the other seven, who all came from 'ordinary' backgrounds, six went to grammar schools or similar.

Comprehensive-educated William Hague, Iain Duncan Smith and Ed Miliband had a go at taking on posh boys Blair and Cameron, but they didn't do terribly well at it, did they? The NUT says that for every grammar school there has to be a secondary modern. The NUT vision would see every child go to a secondary modern rebranded as a comprehensive.



Neil Bradbury – never woke up, having died in his sleep



Amy and Neil – 'when he died my world fell apart'



Brothers – Marc, Adam and Neil together

Neil's legacy has the potential to save lives

An appeal in memory of a Hednesford man who died suddenly in 2015 has topped £10,000. **CARL JACKSON** reports

HE was a popular Hednesford football fan who died suddenly from a mystery heart condition.

Now more than £10,000 has been raised in memory of Neil Bradbury which will pay for 100 people to have free heart screening.

Prior to the 35-year-old's shock death last year, he had been planning to spend the day celebrating his girlfriend Amy Windle's 33rd birthday.

On November 15, the couple, both big Harry Potter fans, were set to travel down to Oxford to spend the night in a hotel before heading to London for the Warner Bros Studio Tour to see the making of the smash hit films.

But that morning Neil, who lived in Hednesford, never woke up, having died in his sleep.

Peaceful

Amy said: "I got out the shower and saw that I had six missed calls.

"Then when I got down there he looked peaceful.

"He died in his sleep and wouldn't have known anything about it.

"He had to have two autopsies because nothing was showing up.

"It was just put down as a sudden cardiac death as there were no physical reasons.

"It is looking like being an underlying problem with the right ventricle but we will never know.

"That it something we will have to accept. It is one of the hard bits."

Since then, Amy has been in contact with other people whose partners have suffered the same fate.

And with support from the Cardiac Risk in the Young charity, she set about starting a £8,500 fundraising campaign in memory of her boyfriend which would pay for 100 people



The Lamb & Flag were the victors of the charity football match at Chasetown Football Club

ple in Hednesford to have a free heart screen test. Amy said: "When Neil died my world fell apart but I felt I had to do something to prevent another partner or family sharing our experience.

"CRY have been so supportive through their bereavement services, I had to give something back.

"Reaching the £8,500 target not only means we are enabling the charity to continue their work and raise awareness of Young Sudden Cardiac Death (YSCD) but it also keeps Neil's memory alive which is so precious."

And, following a charity football match, that target has now been smashed.

More than 300 people attended Chasetown Football Club to watch a Lamb & Flag team defeat a Trafalgar Inn team on penalties after a thrilling 4-4 draw. The event was the idea

of Neil's brothers Marc and Adam Bradbury, who were on opposites sides for the match.

And his family were also pleased to see Neil's beloved Manchester United win the Community Shield by beating Leicester City on the same day.

More than £4,750 was raised through the event, bringing the overall pot to more than £10,000.

Response

As well as ticket sales, funds were also generated by event sponsors Chase Plumbing Supplies, DK Chilled Transport and On Power, as well as a host of other activities at the venue.

Neil's family are now trying to set a date for the first screening day which will be held in his hometown of Hednesford. They are well on the way to paying for a second which will allow

another 100 people to be tested. Amy added: "I'm completely overwhelmed by the turnout and by the response we as a family continue to receive.

"It is a true testament to Neil's character and I am so proud of him. Our initial target to raise £8,500 for one screening day has been surpassed, and we are close to achieving the funds required for a second day.

"Cardiac Risk in the Young will be able to screen 200 hearts for potentially life threatening as yet undiagnosed heart conditions in our community and all in Neil's memory.

"His legacy has the potential to save lives and prevent other families losing a young loved one."

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Stephen tribute plaque unveiled as mother opens McDonald's branch



Doug Wright and Jane Sutton inside the McDonald's which has a plaque paying tribute to the fundraising of Stephen Sutton

THE mother of inspirational cancer victim Stephen Sutton has opened a new McDonald's - featuring a plaque dedicated to her son and his fundraising.

Jane Sutton, from Burntwood, whose son's legacy has raised more than £5 million for the Teenage Cancer Trust, performed the opening ceremony at the new restaurant in the town with the franchisee Doug Wright.

Mrs Sutton was invited to open the restaurant as it featured a special plaque dedicated to Stephen and his fundraising exploits.

She said: "Stephen always enjoyed having a Big Mac meal and he would be thrilled about the plaque to commemorate the hard work he put into his fundraising. We have known Doug

for a number of years since he arranged for Stephen to go to the football back in 2013. He really enjoyed that afternoon. I think it's great news for Doug that he has got the chance to open a McDonald's in Burntwood and it's lovely to have a plaque within the restaurant in memory of Stephen."

In January 2013, after learning that his cancer was incurable, Stephen came to terms with the fact his long-term goals of becoming a doctor were realistically not viable anymore, so he set up the Facebook page Stephen's Story - a bucket list of 46 things he wanted to do with the time he had left.

Mr Wright said: "I am delighted that Jane Sutton agreed to open the restaurant. Stephen was such an inspirational character and is part of the

fabric here in Burntwood. His attitude and drive really impressed me and you could not help but be swept along by his enthusiasm. I think we can all learn something from his approach to life and determination."

● McDonald's in Church Street, Cannock, will be officially reopened tomorrow, featuring a host of new features after becoming the latest to get the 'digital' treatment.

The main improvement will be digital self-serve kiosks which will help speed up service as well as provide customers with nutritional information on their meals.

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The total amount raised was £520.62.

If anyone is interested in helping with GDBA fundraising please contact Pat on 01543 683937

PAT WILLIAMS
Collections Secretary

Church was a huge help

MAY we, the Norton Canes Watercolour Club, say a big thank you to the ladies of Norton Canes Methodist Church who worked so hard in providing refreshments for our art exhibition on Friday and Saturday.

With their help it was a resounding success.

MAUREEN GARBETT
Treasurer

Well done everyone involved with festival

■ HEDNESFORD Festival is a great community event, organised by the community for the community.

Thank you to those who helped organise such a fantastic day.

And not least, thank you to every one of our great community for coming along. We hope you all enjoyed the day.

This gives us something to build on for our Christmas lights switch-on on December 2 and the festival next year.

PAUL WOODHEAD
Hednesford in Partnership

■ WHAT a brilliant occasion Hednesford Festival was on Saturday. There were plenty of things to do and numerous people told me how much they enjoyed the day and how impressed they were with Hednesford Park.

A lot of work is put in by a lot of people to make these events work but it certainly paid off in this case.

May there be many more Hednesford Festivals in the future.

COUNTY CLLR GEORGE ADAMSON
Hednesford & Rawsley

■ AS there are too many to acknowledge individually I wish to take this opportunity to thank everyone who was involved with the Hednesford Festival at the weekend.

A lot of effort went into the organisation of the event and I think all who attended had a great time.

This was a wonderful example of the community spirit which is alive and flourishing in Hednesford.

CLLR ALAN PEARSON
Chairman, Hednesford Town Council

Everyone was helpful and caring

IT was wonderful to read of Mr Woodhouse's successful operation at New Cross ("Heart op man thanks staff", August 11).

It was also wonderful to hear the NHS receiving praise. I would like to add my thanks to the staff at New Cross.

In May I was diagnosed with operable bowel cancer. On a Wednesday afternoon I received a phone call from Miss Soulsby, the surgeon, asking me to come and see her the following day to discuss all involved. Four days later the cancerous polyp was successfully removed.

Everyone was so helpful and caring, not only while I was in Ward A14, but with all the follow-up aftercare since being discharged.

I would also like to express my thanks to Dr Adams of Cheslyn Hay surgery who so promptly recognised the cause for concern and immediately contacted New Cross.

P WILLIAMS
Cheslyn Hay

Latest rate cut is a desperate measure

THE latest bank rate cut is portrayed as a sign of strength, whereas in reality it is another desperate measure showing the true state of the economy.

Eight years after the global banking crash, the probability of another, far worse, is becoming a certainty. Quantitative easing, in other words the printing of extra money, is being extended by a further £60bn to a total of £435bn.

Debt levels, both national and personal, are soaring beyond any possibility of repayment.

Any pretence of reducing the deficit, let alone the debt, is now being abandoned. Every capitalist crisis is caused by a chronic lack of mass purchasing power, and increasing debt only staves off the day of reckoning.

K WILCOX
Hammerwich

Emigrate if you don't like referendum result

THERE has been a plethora of Remain voters caterwauling about the democratic EU referendum result.

These people should realise that in these regions they are in a smaller minority than the national result.

Indeed, take out Scotland and our once great capital, and the English towns, counties, cities, and shires spoke as one with a large leave majority. The majority of the electorate saw right through Cameron's charade of EU renegotiation.

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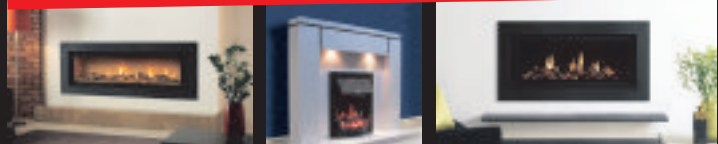
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£75k memorial garden to honour mining era

A MEMORIAL garden to remember Huntington's mining heritage could be built in the village.

Huntington Parish Council wants to develop the garden on the village green with Cannock architects Sutton & Wilkinson. The memorial would cost about £75,000.

Councillor Alan Beech, chair of the parish council, said the garden would be for those who have lost loved ones – with specific focus on the mining community and the armed forces.

The centrepiece of the memorial garden will be one of the pit wheels which once stood on the former Littleton Colliery site in the village, with tiles of the names of some of the village's deceased surrounding it.

Response

The parish council feels there should be a permanent monument to the miners, especially with Littleton Colliery the last deep mine to close in Staffordshire back in December 1993. Councillor Beech said: "We are very excited, it is something to give back to the village. It will be for people who want to remember the village's past and loved ones."

"It is going to be a big project moving one of the pit wheels back to its original place. We are really excited about the project, it has had its public consultation and got an overwhelming response of people saying 'Yes please'. "But it is going to be an expensive project, we are looking for a few local businesses to help us out and we are going to put in for a couple of grants. "We have to try and get the money to move the wheel."

"It will be a memorial for miners, members of the armed forces or the



How the memorial would look Picture: Sutton & Wilkinson Architects

general public. It is for those who want to remember loved ones."

The memorial has received the backing of Conservative South Staffordshire MP Gavin Williamson. Mr Williamson recently attended the public consultation after discussing the plans with the council in November.

He said: "The plans for the memorial garden are absolutely fantastic and I am quite sure that it will be a wonderful development and major

enhancement to the village. It is only right that we celebrate our mining heritage here in Huntington."

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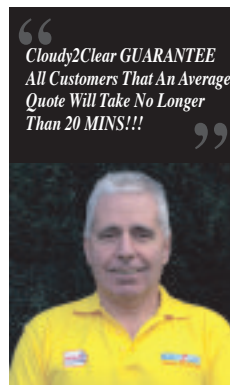
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Council looks to cut redundancy payouts

REDUNDANCY payouts from Staffordshire County Council could be cut by 30 per cent in an effort to save £2.1 million.

It comes after the authority spent £6.66m last year letting staff go. New figures reveal that £4.64m was paid out to council workers and £2.02m to staff from schools.

Council bosses say that while they are keen to protect basic pay and conditions, cuts need to be made. The authority said it goes well above statutory requirements relating to redundancy pay – but it needed to prioritise providing services for residents.

Budgets for redundancy pay, payment protection, which provides two years' protection for an employee's basic pay where it is reduced, and redeployment mileage could all be cut by 30 per cent, saving a total of £2.1m in a year. This will be discussed at a Cabinet meeting on Wednesday.

Target

Councillor Ian Parry, deputy leader and Cabinet member for finance and corporate issues, said: "In times of financial challenge, when we need to prioritise services that support Staffordshire residents to be independent and healthy, it is right that these arrangements are reviewed."

Over the last year, pay protection payments made by the council came to £296,000 while redeployment mileage costs came to £162,000.

The current redundancy scheme, dating back to October 2006, consists of statutory redundancy pay, plus, where the employee is a member of the Local Government Pension Scheme union, a discretionary lump sum compensation set at twice statutory redundancy pay, with an overall cap of 70 weeks.

A report prepared for the cabinet reads: "As a way of demonstrating how the target saving of £1.98m could be achieved, a saving of 30 per cent in each area would achieve a total full year saving of circa £2.1m."

Talk is on war tunnellers



Deep loyalty – miners of Cannock Chase and other districts served their country by tunnelling under the German lines

A TALK will be given at Pye Green Community Centre by Dennis Jackson next month to commemorate the centenary of the Battle of the Somme.

The former Hednesford mining engineer will be exploring the First World War story of how miners of Cannock Chase and other districts served their country by tunnelling under the German lines.

The various tunnelling companies operated in such secrecy that little was known of their exploits for years after the war.

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100ft underground, they set out to detonate mines beneath the enemy trenches

Dennis's talk is part of the Heritage Series of Presentations sponsored by Hednesford Town Council.

Numbers are limited, and anyone wishing to attend the talk on September 6 needs to reserve a place by calling 01543 424872 or by contacting Hednesford Town Council by post at Pye Green Community Centre, Bradbury Lane, Hednesford, WS12 4EP or emailing peter.harrison@hednesford-tc.gov.uk

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Walking and Tolkien of writer's past

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The Tale of the Sun and the Moon in the Lost Tales make reference to the village of Tavrobel which stands by a bridge where the rivers meet and this appears to be clear reference to Essex Bridge where the rivers Sow and Trent have their confluence. There is also mention of an ancient house - the house of a hundred chimneys which stands nigh the bridge of Tavrobel. This is supposed to refer to Shugborough which has 80 chimneys in all.

David led the party across to the Roman Catholic Church of St John the Baptist where Tolkien and his wife received a nuptial blessing. Their wedding in Warwick in 1916 had occurred during Lent and only the Marriage Service and not the Nuptial Mass had been performed.

This was a lovely sunny evening to enjoy David's interesting talk about one of our popular novelists and some members concluded by taking refreshments at the Great Haywood Social Club.

Carpenters chip in with winning score



Ben Gamble is presented with designer watch by Chris Raiton from Brindley Honda and Rotary Club of Cannock president Harold Bould

A TEAM from Coopers Carpentry chipped in with the winning score at the Rotary Club of Cannock's annual golf day.

The club had tremendous support for the event at Chase Golf Club, with some 20 teams taking part from across the region.

Sponsorship also came from 30 local companies, including Brindley Honda who donated the prize of a designer watch for the nearest to the pin on the ninth hole, won by Ben Gamble.

Members of the winning team, which have supported the golf day for the past four years, all received a golf GPS. The day included a virtual par three competition on the golf club's simulator, a putting

Rotary Club of Cannock

competition and Stableford team event on the parkland course. It concluded with a three-course meal and prize presentations with guests being entertained by Yorkshire comic Mike Farrell.

The golf day, now an established event in the Rotary calendar, raised more than £4,500 which will now be used to support local and national charities.

For more about the Rotary Club of Cannock, email secretary@cannockrotary.co.uk or visit www.cannockrotary.co.uk

Pickwick Club speaker rides in

TREVOR Bevan gave an interesting talk to Ridwares WI. Having been a keen cycling club member, he was invited to join the Pickwick Bicycle Club - an organisation with only 200 members worldwide who, on joining, were given sobriquet names from male characters in Charles Dickens's A Pickwick Papers. Mr Bevan was

Ridwares WI

assigned the name of 'The Red-nosed Mr Stiggins'.

The competition trophy for the year was presented and Jeanette Roberts was, once again, the recipient.

More than 100 people attended a successful vintage tea party and fashion show

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Christmas cancelled in Shugborough shake-up

Drawing on expert advice



The children in Year 6 at West Hill Primary School in High Mount Street worked with Helen Wilson and Mark Uttley from ICAP

PUPILS at a Hednesford school have been treated to special art sessions with two professional artists.

The children in Year 6 at West Hill Primary School in High Mount Street worked with Helen Wilson and Mark Uttley from ICAP (Independent Community Arts Partnership) at Birches Valley.

The pupils, aged 10 and 11, were taught how to landscape draw, rub bark and draw foliage.

The project, funded by Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Cannock Chase, aimed to raise awareness of the local area as well as the flora and fauna.

Coordinator Ms Wilson said: "The children were fantastic and really eager to look at different trees and barks at the Chase."

Teams

"They worked in teams in the classroom and paid attention to details recreating their designs in acrylics on the bird boxes."

"They then assembled the wooden boxes. They all had a great time."

THE annual Christmas events at Shugborough will not be going ahead this year, it has emerged.

The National Trust is due to take over the running of the site later this year. Normally, it closes in October at the end of the season but opens up specially for events in the festive period.

Last year, Shugborough hosted a Christmas fair, and bosses opened up its candlelit mansion house. But this year the site will shut on September 30 and there will be no festive events because work will be taking place to transform the site, bosses say.

The trust has pledged to pump £20.5 million into the site and open it 364 days a year as it takes over the reigns from the county council. The work due to take place includes landscaping, tree management and removing fencing.

National Trust spokesman Matt Critchley said: "Once the estate reopens in March 2017 it will be open all year, closing only on Christmas Day and will offer year-round activities, including at Christmas."

Jobs

The council, which has run the estate since 1966 on behalf of the trust, said earlier in the year 'the time was right' to relinquish its 99-year lease to focus its dwindling budgets on services for the most vulnerable residents of Staffordshire. But concerns have been raised over the transfer, with dozens set to lose their jobs as the trust runs a more voluntary-based model.

The council's operating model saw 35 full-time roles, 52 seasonal staff and 115 volunteers on the books, but the National Trust has not yet released a firm figure on how many of these will lose their jobs.

Speaking on their decision to cut its lease for the site 49 years short, Staffordshire County Council's economy, environment and transport chief Councillor Mark Winton said: "It has become increasingly difficult for the county council to invest in the visitor offer at Shugborough Estate."

"The majority of the budget has gone on maintenance and repairs."

"We have got to look very carefully at where that money is spent."

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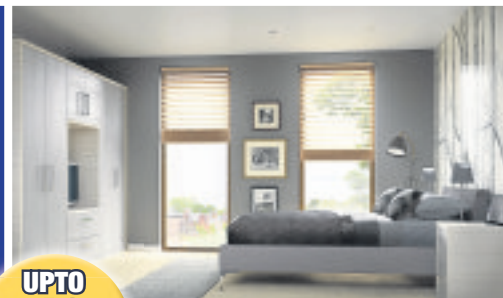
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Old-fashioned love story



John and Betty Yates from Heath Hayes are celebrating their diamond wedding – 'we were childhood sweathearts'

"WE were school friends, it developed from there, and we have never had anyone else. We were content with each other."

That is the story in a nutshell of a Heath Hayes couple who are still going strong after 60 years' happy marriage.

As a surprise, John and Betty Yates, aged 82 and 81, were picked up from their home in Gladstone Road in a vintage Austin Princess to be taken to the Hedgeford Lodge in Hednesford where more than 20 relatives were waiting for them for a meal.

The couple have two daughters and a son – Michael, Sue and Karen – and four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

They met as youngsters crossing paths on the way to separate schools, John going to Chadsmoor Central School, now Chadsmoor Junior, and Betty going to Belt Road

Girls' School which is no longer there. They also went to the same youth club.

"We were childhood sweathearts – it is an old-fashioned love story, really," John said.

He got called up to the Army and served with the Queen's Bays tank regiment as a young man.

The couple decided to tie the knot at Cannock Register Office when John was on demobilisation leave in 1956.

He was called up to serve again when the Suez Crisis broke out. "We got married on the Friday, and I was on the way back to Libya on the Tuesday," he said.

John spent 20 years as a miner in Hednesford and then another 20 years at Rugeley Power Station before retiring.

Betty spent most of her working life at the Swallow Raincoat factory in Cannock.



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Dance led to 60 years of marriage



Leslie and Patricia Cooper celebrate their diamond wedding

A CANNOCK couple who got together after they met at a dance 62 years ago have celebrated their diamond wedding.

Leslie Cooper met his future wife Pat outside The Foresters in Cannock and walked her home – even though she had left her bike outside a friend's house before she went out. Mr Cooper, now 79, gave his advice for a long, successful marriage and a good life.

He said: "You have to take life as it comes, make the most of it. It's a rollercoaster, life, so you get the ups and the downs. We have had both. You make the most of the good times."

The couple, along with friends and family, celebrated with a party at St Mary's Club in Cannock. It is a place where Mr Cooper used to sing, and he said there were two songs in particular which were particularly poignant after they celebrated 60 years of marriage. They are Yes I Will by The Hollies and You're The First, The Last, My Everything by Barry White.

The couple, of Fallowfield, also celebrated by taking out their granddaughter, Jess, 18, and her boyfriend for a meal.

Mr and Mrs Cooper married at Bethel Methodist Church in Union Street, Bridgtown, on August 11, 1956. Mrs Cooper said on the success of the couple's marriage and their life together: "You don't take each other for granted. You give and take and you get on with things. I have had various problems health wise and Les looked after me."

They have two sons and a daughter – Andrew, 59, who lives in Cannock, Ian, who is 50 and lives in Kent, and Lyn, 48, who lives about a quarter of a mile away from her parents in Cannock.

They were also enthusiastic members of the National Pensioners Convention, taking trips to Parliament to campaign for pensioners' rights.



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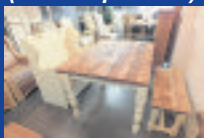


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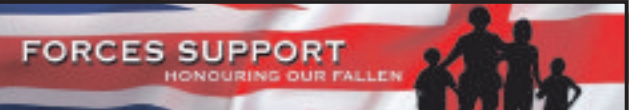
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'Book soon' plea as 2016 Space lands in the county

STAFFORDSHIRE'S Space 2016 programme has landed in the county.

The programme provides free activities for teenagers across Staffordshire during the school summer holidays.

More than 3,100 individual indoor and outdoor activities are on offer until Friday, September 2 including archery, tobogganing, ice-skating, swimming, boxing, arts and crafts, wildlife, ten-pin bowling and tennis.

Space was originally an activities scheme led by police in Staffordshire aimed at engaging young people before it stopped in the 1990s.

Space 2016, co-ordinated by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Staffordshire, is aimed at increasing skills, improving health and wellbeing, and creating opportunities for young people aged 11 to 17 to take part in positive activities to make communities safer.

Matthew Ellis, the police and crime commissioner for Staffordshire, said: "I promised Space 2016 would happen and now it's landed. There has been a lot of work to get us to this stage and I would like to thank all the organisations who have helped to make this possible."

"I'm looking forward to getting out and seeing Space in action across Staffordshire over the next few weeks."

"Last year Space saw more than 13,300 attendances by young people and it was great to see such positive activities taking place."

"The money I have pledged will help to increase young people's personal skills and improve their health and general wellbeing by creating opportunities for them to get involved in during the school summer holiday."

"Places are getting booked up fast so check out the website and book your place soon."

To find out more about the scheme or to book a place, visit the Space website at www.staffordshirespace.uk

Curry night raises £700 for charity



Vince Daubney and his wife Anne, Shahin Raj, Amanda Milling MP, and Indulge staff at the charity night

CURRY lovers raised more than £700 for a Parkinson's support group. Diners enjoyed a four-course meal at the charity night at Indulge Indian restaurant, Chadsmoor, with entertainment from Penkridge singer Steve Ray, an auction and a raffle.

It was the second such event at the restaurant. Cannock Chase MP Amanda Milling was the evening's special guest. Some £719 was raised for the

Penkridge Parkinson's Support Group, which looks after people with the disease and their carers. Executive committee member Vince Daubney praised all those involved in making the evening a success.

Penkridge Parkinson's Support Group meets at the Haling Dene Centre, Cannock Road on the fourth Wednesday of the month, except August and December, from 10.30am to 12.30pm. Call 01785 840874.

Rail hub 'opportunity'

A CHARITY dedicated to protecting and enhancing wildlife in Staffordshire has shared its views on plans to build a rail freight interchange.

The £8.5 million West Midlands Interchange project would see a rail terminal cover 800,000 square metres with 17 warehouses and service buildings constructed. The development is set to be built close to the junction of the M54 and M6.

Now, Staffordshire Wildlife Trust has responded to concerned residents in a detailed letter on stage one of the consultation for the proposed hub at Four Ashes. Although it would be largely covered by a new rail link and warehouses, the indicative plans show around a quarter of the site would be green space. Kate Dewey, planning and conservation of-

ficer for Staffordshire Wildlife Trust, said: "As with any development, there are many threats but also potential opportunities for wildlife."

"Currently, only initial environmental information is available, and further wildlife surveys are being conducted by the developers. So it is not possible to judge the full effects on wildlife at this time, or give a final view on the project."

"However, we have put across a number of points on the survey information needed, what should be considered and how mitigation should be planned."

"We expect the site to be an exemplar for biodiversity and will object if a net loss to wildlife becomes apparent. The approach to ecology seems thorough so far," she added.

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Region has the most cannabis plant hauls

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Neil Yates, left, operations manager at The Brock Metal Company, with Briggs Equipment's senior sales executive Paul Robinson

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MORE cannabis plants were seized by West Midlands Police than by any other force, new figures have revealed.

Statistics show that in 2014-15 the force discovered more than 54,700 plants – significantly higher than the second largest haul of 41,569 seized by Greater Manchester Police in the same year.

In the wider West Midlands area, incorporating other forces, a total of 69,803 plants were seized.

Factories used to be dismantled by regular officers, but West Midlands Police set up a dedicated cannabis team following a dramatic rise in production.

The cohort is made up of 10 members including a manager and a forensics expert.

Their role is to dispose of equipment which is used to grow plants, recycling anything if possible, removing plants and chemicals and ensuring buildings are safe.

Found

More recent figures revealed West Midlands Police seized £9m worth of the class B drug in 2015-16.

The figure was down on the previous year when £10,163,700 worth was recovered. However, the number of actual factories found shot up from 88 to 129.

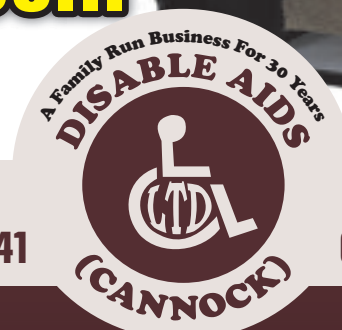
And there have continued to be high-profile raids this year.

Nearly £2m worth of cannabis and more than 3,800 plants were seized in a fortnight across the West Midlands and Staffordshire after a force crackdown.

Between April 7 and 22, homes in Smethwick, Wolverhampton, and Dudley as well as Staffordshire and Birmingham were raided. The haul totalled £1,990,800.

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Staff raise funds in memory of Leigh



League of Friends trustee Harold Boulton, left, Jenny Sedgwick from NSPCC, Yvonne Tenant, Ben Farnell and Maridel Foulger

STAFF at a hospital cafe have remembered a former worker who died suddenly last year.

Halema Stokes, known by everyone as Leigh, worked in the Stafford and Cannock League of Hospital Friends cafe since 2012 and was well liked by the customers, hospital staff and cafe volunteers. She died last June.

In her memory, staff collected £358 which was donated to a charity Leigh supported - the NSPCC.

A League of Friends spokesman said: "Leigh was known

for her cheerful disposition and will be sadly missed around the hospital. She was a hard worker who always had time to talk to the visitors and was dedicated to her work at Cannock Chase Hospital.

"Customers would ask to see Leigh if she wasn't on the front counter, as many of them considered her as a friend at a time of need." The Stafford and Cannock League of Hospital Friends have been fundraising for the Brunswick Road building for more than 30 years.

Volunteers plea on research

RESEARCH is under way at University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust to gain a better understanding of a condition which can be a severe, lifelong problem for sufferers.

It is hoped that by carrying out this research, health professionals will be able to manage the condition better.

The research team is now looking for local residents who have been diagnosed with Gastro-oesophageal Reflux Disease (GORD) and are on treatment with medicines called proton pump inhibitors.

GORD is a condition where acid

moves out of the stomach, where it is usually contained, and goes into the gullet (the muscular tube through which food passes). Symptoms of this condition are mainly heartburn and sometimes regurgitation, although symptoms can also include pain or discomfort in the upper part of the stomach area, pain when swallowing or persistent coughing.

Further complications include the stomach acid having a harmful effect when coming into contact with the lining of the gullet, which can cause injury, including ulcers. Proton pump

inhibitors are often successfully used to reduce the production of acid in the stomach. However, some patients still suffer with the symptoms whilst using these drugs.

The trust aims to recruit 100 participants to this non-invasive study, which will be looking at the symptom commonness, severity and associated treatment practices, to reach a better understanding and management of GORD.

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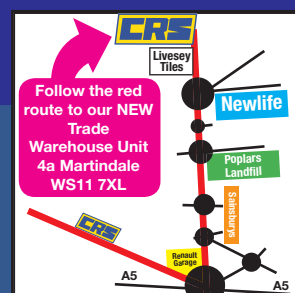
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College experiences shared



Zoe Hargrave gives advice on the 'wow factor'

Engineering apprenticeship, Luke Harrison

Caroline Moran, writer of the Channel 4 comedy Raised by Wolves, visited Stafford College

CAROLINE Moran, the writer of the Channel 4 comedy Raised by Wolves, visited Stafford College to discuss her experiences of writing and working in television to creative industry students.

The event was part of Stafford College's Meet the Professionals series offering students insight into future careers and industry knowledge.

Caroline Moran said: "It was an absolute treat to return to Stafford College and meet the next generation of creative minds."

"I hope the students can take away how flex-

ible the industry can be and the variety of roles that are on offer."

Nathan Kelly, a media student at Stafford College, said: "Hearing how writing can take someone across so many industries has given me every confidence in getting a career in what I love doing."

An apprenticeship was the right career path for engineer Luke Harrison.

The 22-year-old from Cannock, studied engineering and has just completed an apprenticeship at Ultra Electronics.

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"I help to work out historical issues with a certain product. This involved some real engineering, where processes, design and testing, re-development and all the other aspects of actually engineering a real product came together to solve the problem."

"After obtaining my university degree, I hope to go back into industry as a graduate engineer

in the field of research and development working with new technologies and electronics."

Zoe Hargrave is a HR and business support manager who works at Galleria RTS in Newcastle-under-Lyme, where her main focus is recruitment.

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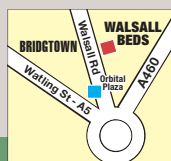
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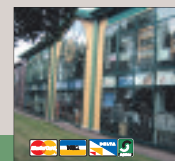


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Kim Hazell, who runs the pub in Olde Hall Lane with husband Ken, said: "We are absolutely delighted to have won. It was a great surprise. "We took over the pub in 2004 – we just really felt it had a great atmosphere when we visited, and Great Wyrley is a lovely place. Since then we haven't looked back."

Expand

She said: "We are delighted with the progress we have made in our time here. When we arrived, the restaurant wasn't doing much and we have really changed that. "We now offer two carvery nights every week, host themed nights where we offer food from different cultures, and we are one of the only restaurants in the Black Country to offer flambe cooking. "In the future, we would like to expand our entertainment offer." The accolade came as part of the Express & Star Pub of the Year awards. Old Wyrley Hall came top



Old Wyrley Hall landlord Ken Hazel, left, waitress Sarah Shaw, restaurant manager Salem Lajili, bar staff member Helen Humphrey, and landlady Kim Hazel in the awards, collecting 697 votes. It was followed by the Noah's Ark Inn, in Clarks Lane, Willenhall, and the Shire Oak in Lichfield Road, Walsall Wood. Circulation sales manager Andy Maxwell said: "We had dozens of pubs nominated, and it has been terrific to see so many customers get involved by voting for their favourite. The winning pubs deserve the recognition and I'm

delighted to award each one with a certificate they can proudly display." ● The Cannock Chase branch of the Campaign for Real Ale has presented its latest pub of the season award to the Star Inn, Great Wyrley, which reopened last year after a £350,000 renovation. Lynn Humphris and husband Trevor teamed up with his brother Gary and wife Maria to open the pub.

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Soul stirring singer and pop Blossoms

ALBUMS

by Leon Burakowski

MERCURY Prize nominated no1 album Love & Hate will establish London soul singer Michael Kiwanuka as a major force.

This sprawling soul opus is given a brilliant atmospheric production by Danger Mouse, Inlo and Paul Butler. The husky-voiced Kiwanuka harks back to the days of Bill Withers and Gil Scott-Heron, especially on the protest soul of *Black Man In A White World*.

Other highlights include the melancholy *I'll Never Love, heart-felt Father's Child* and the hazy slowburning *Place I Belong*.

Kiwanuka is in concert at the O2 Institute in Birmingham on October 21.

Latest indie pop sensations Stockport's **Blossoms** impress with a chart-topping self-titled debut packing plenty of hit-worthy songs, including the summery *Charlemagne* and *Blondie-like At Most A Kiss*.

Fronted by guitarist and singer Tom Ogden but with Myle Kellock's keyboards often in the forefront, the band lack the hard edge of kindred spirits *Peace* and the 1975 but deserve a place on any indie mix with tracks like *Texta*. They have *My Favourite Room* and *Blow Draft* recalls Merseyside's *The Coral*, whose James Skelly co-produces. Maybe the National Trust will adopt them after *Blown Rose* pays tribute to the stately homes of England.

Blossoms play the O2 Institute in Birmingham on September 23.

Singer and songwriter **Ed Harcourt** enlists Foals and PJ Harvey producer Flood to finesse his potent seventh album **Furnaces**. His most abrasive work to date, almost grunge-like in



Michael Kiwanuka – soul singer's second album is a major success

places, **Furnaces** finds Harcourt taking a look at the darkside. This ranges from the haunted apocalyptic visions of *The World Is On Fire*, via the beast in man of *Loup Garou* and the excesses celebrated by *Dionysus*. By album closer *Antarctica* the protagonist is considering a trip to the frozen continent in order to escape mankind.

Bear's Den are now a duo, Andrew Davie and Kev Jones, following the departure of guitarist Joey Haynes after the acclaimed 2014 debut *Islands*. On *Red Earth & Pouring Rain* their sound moves away from its folk-rock roots and more towards smooth 70s and 80s FM rock, akin to Fleetwood Mac and Deacon Blue. See them in action at Birmingham's O2 Institute on November 2.

Irish singer-songwriter **Lisa Hannigan**'s sweet lilting vocals come from the folk tradition but are given a haunting modern gothic quality on **At Swim**, a part collaboration with The National's Aaron Dessner. In fact, opener *Fall* could appeal to Lana Del Rey fans. *Prayer For The Dying* is suitably mournful, while *Undertow* and *Barton* makes subtle effective use of electronic effects. The gorgeous a cappella song *Anahorish* was inspired the writings of Irish poet Seamus Heaney.

Lisa Hannigan plays Birmingham's Glee Club on October 25.

Packing lots of nuggets from rare vinyl, plus a few half-forgotten hits, various artists 48-track 3 CD set **I'm A Freak, Baby** is a treat for fans of obscure psych and prog rock. Homing in on the underground British rock scene of the late 1960s and early 70s, it captures the era when hippy pop-rock was morphing into something heavier.

Highlights include The Pink Fairies with *Do It*, The Groundhogs' *Cherry Red*, obscure biker band *Wicked Lady* with the frenetic *I'm A Freak*, sought-after rock rarity *Zero Time* from Dark, Brum outfit *Velvet Fogg* with *Yellow Cave Woman* and influential hit *Race With The Devil* by The Gun. There are also tracks from when Brum rockers *The Move* featured both Roy Wood and Jeff Lynne, a young Lemmy as part of Sam Gopal's band on *Escalator*, The Yardbirds with Jimmy Page on guitar for *Think About It*, also *Deep Purple* and Peter Green's *Fleetwood Mac*.

If you want to find out from where Air and Daft Punk get their inspiration from, then pick up various artists album **Cosmic Machine The Sequel**, a second collection of rare electronic tracks from the 1970s and 80s French scene. Highlights include the lovely *Moonshine* by Stereo, Francis Lai's funky *Young Freedom*, Queen Samantha's soaring disco monster *Take A Chance* and even that old nugget *Pop Corn* gets an overhaul.

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Alex in comic mood as The Joker



Manvir Sahota as Batman and Alex Lewis, from Rugeley, as The Joker, impressed fans with their costumes

OFFICIALLY The Joker in the Batman series comes from the US but for one day in Wolverhampton at the weekend he came from Rugeley.

The town's Alex Lewis visited Geeks Wolvo Comic-Con – a special event for comic book fans – at the Diamond Banqueting Suite. He met up with his sworn enemy Batman, as Manvir Sahota – dressed as the superhero – took a trip to the Black Country from his home in Scotland. There was no trouble between the two, despite the characters' antagonism on screen.

Hundreds of fans attended the event, which included a special trade fair, on Saturday and saw some of their heroes hand out prizes for the

best homemade costume. They included Spencer Wilding, who was recently named as the next Darth Vader in the next Star Wars film, Rogue One.

Those fans were able to enhance their day by having commemorative pictures taken in front of a giant inflatable RT-D2, taken from the Star Wars films, and the Stay Puft Marshmallow Man, which first appeared in the Ghostbusters films in 1984 and was included in the most recent one, released this year.

People who dress up, known as cosplayers, are sometimes 'introverts' in normal life and then 'extraverts' in different dress, according to Pete Weston, who attended the event. The most

famous Comic Con takes place annually in San Diego and can attract up to 130,000 visitors.

Its 47th was held this year and has grown after 100 people turned up at one in the 1970s.

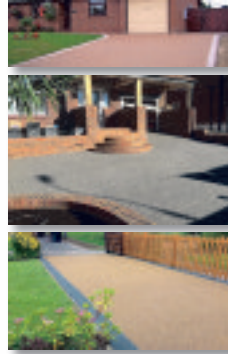
And others are held regularly across the Black Country and Birmingham.

A similar event in Walsall last October attracted Andrew-Lee Potts from Primeval, Hattie Hayridge from Red Dwarf and Sarah Louise Madison and Simon Fisher Becker from Doctor Who. They talked and signed autographs for fellow 'geeks'.

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Mr Burrage

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2,000 parents hit with fines for holidays in term time

NEARLY 2,000 parents in Staffordshire have been hit with fines in four years for taking their children on term-time holidays.

Between 2012-13 and 2015-16 Staffordshire County Council has racked up more than £115,000 in penalty notices, a Freedom of Information request has revealed.

There has been a surge in the number of parents stung in the last four years. However, the council has put it down to a change in government guidelines, stating the problem of absence has not got worse in Staffordshire.

There were no fines handed out in 2012-13 but the following year the council dished out 57.

By Carl Jackson

It then jumped to 681 the following year while almost doubling to 1,189 in 2015-16.

In total, 1,927 have been handed out in the four-year period generating a total of £115,620 in penalty notices. Some authorities have suspended fines on the back of a landmark ruling by the High Court which deemed a £120 fine for a father on the Isle of Wight was 'unlawful'.

But Staffordshire County Council has opted against that and stated instead it has taken a 'common sense' approach with schools and will not revisit the issue until the Isle of Wight case is resolved in the Supreme Court.

The authority confirmed that the recouped

money went towards the administration and legal costs of the process. Councillor Ben Adams, responsible for learning and skills, said: "The granting of holidays in term time is down to each individual school, who directly apply Department for Education guidelines."

"The county council is not involved in any holiday decision; we simply administer fines based on the information given to us by headteachers."

"Changes in these guidelines by the DfE have contributed to a rise in fines, with headteachers being more proactive in managing absence."

"We also have a more accurate way of recording the amount of fines issued. There is no evidence to suggest that school absence in term time is becoming a greater problem."

Firm's vow after branch closure

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Please contact Kirsty Walton, Nursery Manager on 01543 571818 for further information or to arrange to view. Registration fee is currently only £25.00 if you register your child before 9th September 2016.




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EVERGREEN singer Tony Christie is to perform in his hometown of Lichfield as part of his Golden Anniversary Tour

Christie, who became president of the Friends of the Lichfield Garrick in March, will perform at the city centre theatre on September 25.

Fans can hear the much loved musician's greatest hits, including Amarillo, Las Vegas, Avenues & Alleyways, I Did What I Did For Maria, Solitaire and many more.

Also next month, The Woman in Black will open a major UK tour at the Garrick.

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Delay alert for drivers

DRIVERS have been warned to expect delays after three weeks of roadworks in Burntwood began.

During the roadworks, temporary multi-way signals will be in place in Church Road until August 28.

The disruption is a result of South Staffordshire Water working on pipes in the area.

FOCUS ON BURNTWOOD

Life still goes on even after Hoard find says farmer Fred

By Jordan Harris

"I'VE tried not to let the find change my life too much, but it has allowed me to make some very sensible investments."

The owner of the field where the Staffordshire Hoard was discovered has spoken of the effect the find near Hammerwich has had on his life.

After years of research, conservation, cleaning and reconstruction, secrets from the field of gold where the Staffordshire Hoard was found are still being revealed today.

For centuries the largest ever haul of Anglo-Saxon treasures known in Britain lay untouched in Fred Johnson's field until the summer of 2009 when a metal detector struck gold.

In a month-long excavation project, more than 3,500 pieces of Anglo-Saxon gold and silver were unearthed.

The cache amounted to 5,094 kilos of gold, 1,442 kilos of silver and 3,500 cloisonné garnets and was valued at £3.285 million.

But the story of the Hoard continues to evolve, seven years on.

Hundreds of small pieces have been painstakingly reassembled to recreate the objects they once made up and are now on display in a dedicated gallery at the Birmingham Museum, revealing even more



County archaeologist Stephen Dean with farmer Fred Johnson

about who owned it and how it ended up in a Staffordshire field.

Now, Fred Johnson, owner of the field where the items were discovered, and Staffordshire County Council's principal archaeologist Stephen Dean who led the excavation work, have met up on the momentous spot on Fred's land to relive the discovery seven years on.

"It probably took a couple of months until it actually sunk in; it was only when I saw the team of archaeologists in the field filling up the bags that we realised it was a big deal.

"It's been a busy seven years but life goes on.

"I've tried not to let the find change my life too much, but it has allowed me to make some very sensible investments."

For archaeologist Steve, it was not just a field of gold, but a field of dreams as they combed the land for pieces of the incredible collection.

Mr Dean said: "It's really exciting being back in the same field where seven years ago we were excavating the world's largest find of Anglo-Saxon treasure.

Learning

"It's still an incredible story and most amazing find I've been involved with," he added.

"While we may never know the true story of how it ended up buried in a Staffordshire field, we're still learning more and more about it each year.

"The question that everyone asks is how it got there and for me, I still believe it was more than likely an angst hoard which was hidden during times of great strife and never reclaimed.

"Now, with many items reconstructed we are getting a clearer picture of how these intriguing items were used, before they were buried some 1,300 years ago," Mr Dean said.

Make a cake for bake-off in festival

HOME bakers are encouraged to make a cake for the Great Birthday Bake-off, part of the Lichfield Food Festival on August 28.

The Birthday Bake-off will be held at Three Spires Shopping Centre between 10.30am and 11.30am, with age categories of four-to-15 and 16 and over.

Bakers in the older category can enter a birthday cake or six birthday-themed cupcakes for a chance to win afternoon tea for two at The George Hotel, vouchers to spend in The Kitchen Shop and Cakerydora and two Lichfield Cathedral library tours.

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Tonight,
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This well-loved covers band span a variety of genres to bring a tight and explosive set to anyone who fancies a good-old-fashioned night out. Expect to hear a host of top tunes. Visit www.thejamhouse.com

The Pretty Things



Thursday, 7.30pm
Robin 2, Bilston
1960s psychedelic rockers who inspired David Bowie among others, featuring original members: singer Phil May and Rolling Stones co-founder guitarist Dick Taylor. Visit www.therobin.co.uk

Grease



Today and tomorrow, various
New Alex Theatre, B'ham
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Ovation presents NOVACROW
Tomorrow,
The Slade Rooms, Wolverhampton, WV1 1HP.
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Surf's Up
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Traditional Irish Music
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Folk & Roots Club
Thursday, Free
The RoadHouse, Kings Norton, Birmingham, B30 3DZ.
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FESTIVALS

V Festival
Today - Sunday,
Weston Park, Weston-under-Lizard, TF11 8LE.
Call 01952 852100

Selly Oak Fake Festival
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Selly Oak Park, Birmingham, B29 6PG.
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CLASSICAL

Organ Proms
Tomorrow,
Victoria Hall, Oakhill, Stoke-on-Trent, ST4 5JZ.
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Stourport Choral Society
Wed,
Areley Kings Village Hall, Stourport-on-Severn, DY13 0NB.
Call 07939 318973

COMEDY

Upfront Comedy's Summer Jam
Tomorrow,
MAC, Birmingham, B12 9QH.
Call 0121 446 3232

King Kong Comedy Club
Thu at 8pm, Free
Gunmakers Arms Pub, Birmingham, B4 6HG.
Call 0121 236 8486

One Show More
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Fenton Manor Sports Complex, Stoke-on-Trent, ST4 2RR.
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THEATRE

Stepping Out
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Grease
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New Alexandra Theatre, Birmingham, B5 4DS.
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Theatre Tour
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The Glenn Miller Story
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New Alexandra Theatre, Birmingham, B5 4DS.
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Chicken Chase
Thu, £2
Ludlow Assembly Rooms, SY8 1AZ.
Call 01584 878141

Dotty the Dragon
Thu,
Hartlebury Castle, Kidderminster, DY11 7XZ.
Call 01299 251890

MISC. EVENTS

Victorian Summer of Fun
Tomorrow - Thu,
The Ironbridge Gorge Museums, Coalbrookdale, TF8 7DQ.
Call 01952 433 424

Launching Innovative Future Technologies (LIFT)
Today,
iCentrum, Innovation Birmingham Campus, B7 4BP.
Call 01212 503517

The Big Read: Beatfrecks
Tomorrow,
Soho House, Birmingham, B18 5LB.
Call 0121 554 9122

Newcomen Engine in steam
Tomorrow - Sun,
The Black Country Living Museum, DY1 4SQ.
Call 01215 579643

Meccano Event
Tomorrow - Sun,
The Ironbridge Gorge Museums, Coalbrookdale, TF8 7DQ. Call 01952 433 424

Family activities at Kitchen Garden Cafe
Mon - Tue,
The Kitchen Garden Cafe, Birmingham, B14 7SA.
Call 0121 443 4725

Whyley Dance
Tue,
Areley Kings Village Hall, Stourport-on-Severn, DY13 0NB.
Call 07939 318973

The Crunch roadshow & tortilla making
Tue,
Sarehole Mill, Birmingham, B13 0BD. Call 0121 348 8160

Summer Skool – Learn to be a Mad Scientist
Tue,
Hartlebury Castle, Kidderminster, DY11 7XZ. Call 01299 251890

Historical Talk Series. Louise Deakin – Key Hill Cemetery and Warstone Lane Cemetery
Tue,
Gunmakers Arms pub, Birmingham, B12 9QH.
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Chance to Dance
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Huntingdon Hall, CrownGate, Birmingham, B29 6HJ.
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Art Explorer Friday
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Fortnightly knitting and crochet group
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Mitchell Arts Centre, Stoke-on-Trent, ST1 4HG.
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Saturday Guided Tours
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Tomorrow,
Creative Coffee Hub, Birmingham, B29 6HJ.
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Identification Day with Henry Sandon MBE
Tomorrow, £3
Museum of Royal Worcester, WR1 2ND.
See www.museumofroyalworcester.org

Sunday Guided Tours
Sun, £3
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Call 0121 303 1966

Textiles: Cushion Cover Designs
Sun
MAC, Birmingham, B12 9QH.
Call 0121 446 3232
10th September 2016. Thai Street Food with Chorchaba Harper. Fully Booked. Places available 3rd Aug, 21st Aug and 7th Sept.

Paper Bracelet Making
Sun,
Creative Coffee Hub, Birmingham, B29 6HJ.
Call 01215727300

Summer Holiday Tile Decorating Workshops
Today, £5
The Ironbridge Gorge Museums, Coalbrookdale, TF8 7DQ.
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Rainbows
Wed,
Areley Kings Village Hall, Stourport-on-Severn, DY13 0NB.
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Family Craft Activity: Crafty Castles
Wed, £1
Aston Hall, Birmingham, B6 6JD.
Call 0121 675 4722

The Good, The Bad and The Yucky
Wed, £1
Aston Hall, Birmingham, B6 6JD.
Call 0121 675 4722

WackyWednesday
Wed, £2
Erasmus Darwin House, Lichfield, WS13 7AD.
Call 01543 306260

Check out full listings in **the ticket** in Friday's Express & Star

Galaxy of top pop stars take off to V

SOME of the biggest names in rock and pop will take the stage when Weston Park hosts this year's V Festival.

The grounds of the stately home near Wolverhampton will host performances from some of the biggest global names in music this weekend.

Justin Bieber and Rihanna will be the headline acts for 90,000 music fans on Saturday and Sunday at Weston Park, with Sia and David Guetta playing a supporting role.

V will also feature big name artists on its MTV Stage, including perennial festival favourites Faithless and Kaiser Chiefs, as well as Tinie Tempah and Jake Bugg.

There will also be two further stages, the Dance Arena Stage featuring headliners DJ Ez and Craig David's TS5.

Comedy

The V Street Stage will feature headline sets from The Sugarhill Gang and fellow 1980s R&B stars Soul II Soul with support slots from Anne-Marie and Birmingham's Laura Mvula.

Comedy will play a big part at the event at the Glee Comedy Tent. Australian Adam Hills will lead the way and there will also be sets from Katherine Ryan, Sara Pascoe and Bill Bailey.

The BBC Radio One Summer of Dance Stage will feature Annie Mac and Gorgon City.

V Festival was Britain's first ever simultaneous twin-site, multi-day festival and visitors will be able to stay in style in a Podpad Village. New to V



Are you a Belieber.... Justin Bieber tops the bill at the V Festival this weekend

Festival 2016 is Pink Moon Camping, which offer pre-pitched tents for two, four, six or eight people, or a two-man rainbow tipi.

V Festival was launched in 1996 when Pulp frontman Jarvis Cocker said he would like to play two outdoor venues in successive days. His

promoters came up with the idea of V, originally held in Warrington and Chelmsford. It subsequently relocated to Leeds before settling at Weston Park, in 1999.

Weston Park and Hylands Park, Chelmsford, have continued to host the event for the past 16 years.

Grease is the word at Alex

MORE than 100 local actors will feature in a special production of Grease The Musical at Birmingham's New Alexandra Theatre, which started last night (Wednesday) and continues until Friday night (August 20).

The annual Stage Experience production for 2016 features all of the iconic songs from the adored 1978 film starring John Travolta and Olivia Newton John, including Grease Lightning, We Go Together and You're The One That I Want.

Venue spokesman Matthew Breen said: "Dazzling choreography, stunning costumes and set pieces will light up the New Alex stage."

The theatre's Stage Experience production will see a cast of more than 100 local nine to 24-year-olds mount a full-scale production of the much-loved musical in just two weeks.

Having auditioned in May, actors spent a fortnight being put through their paces, learning intense choreography and dance routines, as well as their lines. However, it's not just those in the spotlight who get the opportunity to shine as young people with an interest in the backstage elements turn their hands to operating lighting, sound and scene changes.

Stage Experience producer Becky Charles said: "Audiences have always been thoroughly surprised and impressed by the quality of previous productions and commitment from the cast."

Playing love birds Danny and Sandy are Jordan Ricketts, 18, from Telford, and Georgia Anderson, 20, pictured left.

To keep up to date with the latest news and find out how to audition for next year's production of West Side Story, visit facebook.com/stageexperiencebirmingham



'Audiences have always been impressed'

Poppies are back with new line-up

REFORMED Stourbridge rockers Pop Will Eat Itself will play their only Midlands show of the year when they line up at Bilston's Robin 2 on October 2.

Pop Will Eat Itself v2.0 are Graham Crabb (original drummer, later co-frontman/vocalist & main songwriter), Mary Byker (Gaye Bykers On Acid, Apollo 440, Pigface), Tim Muddiman (Gary Numan & his own band The Strange), Jason Bowld (Bullet For My Valentine, Killing Joke, Pitchshifter) and Davey Bennett (This Burning Age). This line-up was formed in 2011 and last year released second album Anti Nasty League. See www.therobin.co.uk for details.

Spandau star will talk about his life

NEW Romantic pop star turned actor, TV and radio presenter Martin Kemp will be discussing his life and answering fans' questions at Stourbridge Town Hall this autumn.

The 54-year-old found fame with his brother Gary in flamboyant pop group Spandau Ballet in the 1980s, before starring with his brother in 1990 hit movie The Krays.

The Londoner went on to play EastEnders villain Steve Owen and has recently hosted shows on BBC Radio 2.

Tickets for the event, on Friday October 28, cost £20. Call 01384 812 812 or see www.dudley.gov.uk/entertainment

Elkie and Gilbert take to the stage

TICKETS have gone on sale for two shows in Birmingham next year featuring singers who found fame in the 1970s.

Birmingham Town Hall will host Elkie Brooks on February 18 and singer-songwriter Gilbert O'Sullivan on March 6.

Elkie, now 71, is best-known for the hits Pearl's A Singer, Lilac Wine, Sunshine After The Rain, Fool (If You Think It's Over), Don't Cry Out Loud and No More The Fool. Brooks' 20th studio album, Powerless, was released in 2010. O'Sullivan had chart-toppers with Clair and Get Down and last year released Latin al la G, inspired by Peggy Lee. See www.thsh.co.uk

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Hugh Grant

There's Something About Romcoms
(Channel 4, 9pm)

Meg Ryan, Hugh Grant, Richard Curtis, Rupert Everett and Stephen Merchant are among the stars celebrating the rich and varied history of the rom-com, which has made stars of the likes Renee Zellweger and Kate Hudson, among many more of Hollywood's brightest stars. This programme revisits some of the greatest rom-coms moments ever committed to film, from Meg Ryan 'climactic' scene in *When Harry Met Sally* to Andie MacDowell and Hugh Grant's romantic entanglements in *Four Weddings and a Funeral*. Tim Bevan, chairman of the production company Working Title, explains why he believes the British have surpassed American film-makers in the field of the romantic comedy.

BBC1

6.00 Olympic Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen. **11.30** Lorraine's Fast, Fresh and Easy Food. (R) **12.00** BBC News. Weather. **12.10** Football Focus. **12.45** Olympics 2016. Hazel Irvine presents live coverage from Rio on the 15th and penultimate day of the Games. **5.30** BBC News. **5.40** Regional Programme. **5.50** Olympics 2016. Clare Balding introduces the latest live coverage on day 15, with three live boxing finals from Rio and the men's 10m platform diving final at the Maria Lenk Aquatics Centre.

10.20 BBC News: Weather.
10.40 Match of the Day. Highlights of the latest Premier League matches, including Leicester City v Arsenal at King Power Stadium, and Burnley v Liverpool at Turf Moor. The Foxes were appearing at home for the first time as reigning champions, and will have hoped to perform better than they did when hosting the Gunners last season, when they fell to a 5-2 defeat. Meanwhile, The Clarets played their first home game since returning to the top flight since winning the Championship last term, and were looking to register a first Premier League win over Liverpool, having previously lost all four encounters. Plus, action from Stoke City v Manchester City, Swansea City v Hull City, Tottenham Hotspur v Crystal Palace, Watford v Chelsea, West Bromwich Albion v Everton, and Manchester United v Southampton from Friday night. National Lottery Update.

12.10 Olympics 2016. Jason Mohammad presents as the 15th and penultimate day of the Games draws to a close. Various athletics finals take place at the Olympic Stadium including the men's 5,000m at 01.30, which is expected to feature defending champion Mo Farah. The Brit has dominated the event in recent years, not only picking up Olympic gold on home soil but also winning three successive world titles since 2011. Before then, there is the women's high jump final at 00.30, the men's javelin final at 0.55, the men's 1500m final at 01.00 and the women's 800m final at 01.15, with the women's and men's 4x400m relay finals following the men's 5,000m at 02.00 and 02.35 respectively. The women's +67kg and men's +80kg taekwondo finals also take place at Carioca Arena 3 at 02.00 and 02.15, and the women's volleyball final starts at 02.15 at Maracanazinho. **4.00** Weather for the Week Ahead. **4.05** BBC News.

BBC2

6.15 Film: Night Song, (1948) **7.55** Film: Whisky Galore! (1949) **9.15** Olympics: Rio Highlights 2016. Action from day 14 at the Olympic Games in Rio. **1.00** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.45** Escape to the Country. (R) **2.30** Fog It! (R) **3.00** Full Steam Ahead. (R) **4.00** Final Score. **5.30** Olympics 2016. Badminton and diving highlights on day 15. **5.50** The A to Z of TV Gardening. (R)

6.00 **Gardeners' World.** Horticultural ideas and advice. (R)
6.30 **Dad's Army.** Walmington-on-Sea leaves its mark on a visiting French general when the platoon repaints Lady Matthy's Rolls-Royce just in time for an official engagement. (R)

7.00 **Proms Extra.** Katie Derham looks at Rachmaninov, the John Wilson Orchestra performing Gershwin and visits the Proms event taking place at Shakespeare's Globe theatre.

7.40 **BBC Proms 2016.** Katie Derham presents as-live from the Royal Albert Hall as Valery Gergiev conducts the Munich Philharmonic Orchestra in three popular classics - Ravel's hypnotic Bolero, the ravishing suite from Richard Strauss's Der Rosenkavalier and Rachmaninov's romantic Piano Concerto No 3, featuring young pianist Behzod Zohrabi. Plus, Gaila Ustvol'skaya's searing Symphony No 3, subtitled Jesus Messiah, Save Us!, with text read by Alexei Petrenko.

9.40 **Edinburgh Nights.** Kirsty Wark talks to Booker prize-winning author James Kelman about his new novel, and meets playwrights and performers who are exploring themes of love relationships and fidelity.

10.10 **The National Lottery Live.** Sonali Shah presents live as the winning Lotto and Thunderball numbers are revealed. Plus, more from the Team GB athletes claiming medals at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games.

10.20 **Olympics 2016.** Clare Balding and Mark Chapman present the latest action on day 15 in Rio, including highlights of the men's modern pentathlon combined race and taekwondo quarter- and semi-finals.

12.10 **Film:** Infamous. (2006) **2.05** **Film:** Oslo, August 31st. (2011) **3.30** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITY: Fort Boyard Ultimate Challenge. **6.25** Pat & Stan. (R) **6.35** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **6.45** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **6.55** Signed Stories: Share a Story. (R) **7.00** Sooby. (R) **7.15** Super 4. (R) **7.35** Thunderbirds Are Go. (R) **8.00** Ninjago: Rise of the Snakes. (R) **8.25** TV News. **8.30** Weekend. **9.25** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **10.25** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **11.25** Film: Columbo: Identity Crisis. (1975) **1.25** TV News: Weather. **1.35** River Monsters. (R) **2.00** The Chase. (R) **3.00** Doc Martin. (R) **4.05** Film: The Mummy Returns. (2001) Fantasy adventure.

6.20 **Regional Programme:** Weather. **6.30** **ITV News:** Weather.

6.45 **You've Been Framed! Gold.** More comical mishaps submitted for approval by viewers, including a baby vomiting on a laptop, a boy's encounter with an explosive egg, and a dog that takes a shine to a teddy bear. (R)

7.15 **Spotless.** New series. Physical game show in which couples enter immaculate white rooms to complete fiendish wet paint-based games. However, the challenge here isn't to complete the task in record time, instead success rests on their ability to emerge from the ordeal clean and pristine. State-of-the-art 3D scanning technology and high-definition cameras are on hand to help determine whether the competitors have remained spotless enough to claim the cash prize.

8.15 **Catchphrase.** Stephen Mulhern hosts the game show, in which contestants Petra Dunne, Sara Manchipp and Zechariah Hemans are challenged to "see it and say it". Last in the series.

9.00 **Film:** The Bourne Supremacy. (2004) The amnesiac assassin is living quietly in hiding, until his former employers come after him again and murder his girlfriend. A CIA operation has ended in disaster, and those responsible intend to clear their names by implicating Bourne. As the former secret agent tries to evade the hitmen on his trail, he also struggles to piece together the truth about his past. Action thriller sequel, starring Matt Damon.

11.00 **ITV News:** Weather. **11.15** **The Jeremy Kyle Show USA.** (R) **12.10** Jackpot247. **3.30** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **3.50** ITV Nightscreen.

CHANNEL 4

6.15 The Grid. **6.40** Gillette World Sport. **7.05** Motor Sport: Volkswagen Racing Cup. **7.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **7.55** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.25** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **9.00** The Morning Line. **10.00** Frasier. (R) **10.30** Frasier. (R) **11.00** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **11.25** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **11.55** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.20** The Simpsons. (R) **12.45** The Simpsons. (R) **1.15** The Simpsons. (R) **1.45** Channel 4 Racing. Coverage of the final day of the Ebor Festival at York, plus racing from Sandown Park. **4.30** Come Dine with Me. **5.00** Come Dine with Me. **5.35** Come Dine with Me. Fragrance seller Justina is hoping to wow her guests in Preston with a vegan menu and performs reiki on her food to make sure she is in with a chance of winning the £1,000 prize.

6.05 **Come Dine with Me.** It is the final night in and around Preston and the turn of confident company director Anthony Smith, who is hoping for a winning mix of finger-licking food and fine dining.

6.35 **Channel 4 News.**
7.00 **Film: Men in Black 3.** (2012) An alien criminal escapes from a prison on the moon and goes back in time on a mission of revenge, changing the course of history. Agent K of the top-secret Earth defence organisation follows him back to 1969, and joins forces with a younger version of his mentor Agent K to set things right. Sci-fi comedy sequel, starring Will Smith, Josh Brolin and Tommy Lee Jones.

9.00 **There's Something About Romcoms.** Hollywood stars shed light on the making of celebrated rom-coms, from When Harry Met Sally through to Four Weddings and a Funeral and the Bridget Jones films.

10.35 **Film: I Give It a Year.** (2013) A couple marry after a whirlwind romance, but family and friends have doubts about the relationship. As their first anniversary approaches, they both begin to wonder if they are right for each other, especially when faced with more appealing alternative partners. Romantic comedy, with Rose Byrne, Rafe Spall, Anna Farris and Simon Baker.

12.30 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA. (R) **1.20** Film: Call Girl. (2012) **3.45** Hollywoods. (R) **5.45** Superfoods: The Real Story. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! **8.25** The Fairly OddParents. **9.00** The Saturday Show Live. **11.10** Police Interceptors. (R) **12.00** Police Interceptors. (R) **1.00** Police Interceptors. (R) **2.00** The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door. (R) **3.00** The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door. (R) **4.00** Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away. (R)

6.05 **NCIS: Los Angeles.** Callen, Sam and the team spring into action when fellow agent Dom activates a distress signal. They track down his car, which is riddled with bullet holes, and Eric intercepts a signal from his phone, tracing it to a house that contains nothing but some used medical supplies and a dead body. Crime drama, starring Chris O'Donnell and LL Cool J. (R)

7.00 **NCIS Movie: Race Against Terror.** Feature-length episode. Gibbs is injured in an explosion while conducting inquiries aboard a ship. He lapses into a coma, during which he has flashbacks of the past he has always kept hidden. Meanwhile, Tony takes over the investigation, but his approach begins to cause friction. (R)

8.50 **5 News Weekend.**

9.00 **Football on 5: The Championship.** George Riley and Lynsey Hippgrave introduce highlights from the weekend's games, including Sheffield Wednesday v Leeds United at Hillsborough, Birmingham City v Wolverhampton Wanderers at St Andrew's, and Bristol City v Newcastle United at Ashton Gate.

10.00 **Football on 5: Goal Rush.** George Riley and Lynsey Hippgrave introduce all the goals from the weekend's games in the Leagues One and Two.

10.30 **Celebrity Big Brother.** Catching up with the celebrities as they react to Friday night's eviction, revealing how the latest departure has affected the remaining contestants.

11.30 **V Festival 2016.** The first of two live programmes offering viewers at home a chance to see the headline performance by Justin Bieber at the festivals in Chelmsford and Staffordshire.

12.15 SuperCasino. **3.10** Celebrity Big Brother. (R) **4.00** GPs: Behind Closed Doors. (R) **4.50** Divine Designs. (R) **5.15** Nick's Quest. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Four

1.00 Olympics 2016 **2.00** Britain on Film: Messing About in Boats **2.30** Sounds of the 70s **3.00** Acoustic at the BBC **3.55** Close

ITV2

11.45 The X Factor: Top 10 Worst Auditions **12.45** Ninja Warrior UK **1.45** You've Been Framed: Gold: A-Z **2.45** Film: Batteries Not Included (1987) **3.45** FYI Daily **3.50** Film: Batteries Not Included (1987) **4.50** The X Factor: Top 10 OMG! Moments **5.55** Film: The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug (2013) **6.55** FYI Daily **7.00** Film: The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug (2013) **9.00** Film: Hall Pass (2011) **10.00** FYI Daily **10.05** Film: Hall Pass (2011) **11.05** Family Guy **12.35** American Dad! **1.35** The Cleveland Show **2.30** Mom **2.50** Teleshopping **5.50** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3

2.45 Film: Calamity Jane (1953) **3.50** FYI Daily **3.55** Film: Calamity Jane (1953) **4.55** Foyle's War **7.00** Doc Martin **8.00** Lewis **10.00** Agatha Christie's Marple **12.05** Inspector Morse **2.10** ITV3 Nightscreen **2.30** Teleshopping

ITV4

1.00 Film: The Secret War of Harry Frigg (1967) **2.10** FYI Daily **2.15** Film: The Secret War of Harry Frigg (1967) **3.25** British Touring Car Championship Highlights **4.55** The Motorbike Show **6.00** World Series of Darts: Sydney **9.30** Storage Wars **10.00** Cycling: Vuelta a Espana **11.00** Film: Child's Play 2 (1990) **12.00** FYI Daily **12.05** Film: Child's Play 2 (1990) **12.45** The Sweeney **1.45** Cycling: Vuelta a Espana **2.40** ITV4 Nightscreen **3.00** Teleshopping

E4

11.00 Match in Chelsea: South of France **12.30** New Girl **12.30** The Goldbergs **2.30** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **3.30** Film: Journey to the Center of the Earth (2008) **5.30** The Big Bang Theory **9.00** Film: Die Hard (1988) **11.40** Gogglebox **1.20** RuDe Tube: Animal Madness **2.25** Broke Girls **3.05** Angie Tribeca **3.30** Gogglebox **4.10** The Mindy Project **4.50** Revenge

Film4

11.00 Catch That Kid (2004) **1.00** Short Circuit 2 (1988) **3.20** Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (2009) **6.20** Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World (2003) **9.00** The Purge (2013) **10.40** Cheap Thrills (2013) **12.20** In Fear (2013) **2.00** Donkey Punch (2008) **4.00** Close

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Phoebe Waller-Bridge

Fleabag (BBC2, 10pm)
New series. Comedy, written by and starring Phoebe Waller-Bridge, based on her one-woman stage show about a woman wrestling with the demands of modern living through a mixture of bravado and casual sex. Fleabag struggles to make ends meet in the frenetic world of contemporary London as she tries to work out what she should be doing with her life. With Olivia Colman, Hugh Dennis, Ben Aldridge, Jamie Demetriou, Hugh Skinner, Sian Clifford, Sean Richards-Mulzac, Jenny Rainsford, Tree Waller-Bridge, Sarah Daykin, Bill Paterson and Jordan Long.

BBC1

6.00 Olympic breakfast. **7.30** Match of the Day. (R) **9.00** BBC News. **10.00** Sunday Morning Live. **11.00** Homes Under the Hammer. (R) **12.00** Bargain Hunt. (R) **12.45** BBC News: Weather. **1.00** Olympics 2016. Live coverage from Rio on the 16th and final day. **5.00** BBC News. **5.20** Regional Programme. **5.30** Countryfile. **6.30** Olympics 2016. Further live coverage on day 16 in Rio, as the Games of the XXXI Olympiad draw to a close. Men's boxing takes centre stage at RioCentro, with the light-welterweight final at 19.00 followed by the super-heavyweight final at 19.15. Team GB's reigning Commonwealth and European Games champion Joe Joyce entered the competition hoping to emulate fellow Londoner Anthony Joshua, who won the gold medal four years ago and is now IBF heavyweight champion in the professional ranks. From 21.00, there is a review of the Games, featuring all the highs, lows and memorable moments from the first summer Olympics to be held in South America. **9.00** Fake or Fortune? Fiona Bruce and art expert Philip Mould try to uncover the truth behind three mysterious portraits. The paintings in question are that of a child, thought to have been painted by modern artist Willem de Kooning, the image of a lady, considered the work of 18th-century society painter Philip Mercier, and a portrait of an old general, attributed to the 19th-century German master Adolph von Menzel. The investigation forces the duo to embark on a worldwide quest, taking them from Miami, Florida, to Berlin and a small town in Belgium. Last in the series. **10.00** BBC News. **10.20** Regional Programme. **10.30** Match of the Day 2. Manish Bhasin presents action from the latest Premier League matches, which were Sunderland v Middlesbrough, and West Ham United v Bournemouth. **11.25** Olympics 2016. Live coverage of the closing ceremony from the Maracana in Rio, including the extinguishing of the flame and the handover to 2020 hosts Tokyo. **4.00** Weather for the Week Ahead. **4.05** BBC News.

BBC2

6.45 Countryfile. (R) **7.45** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. (R) **9.15** Olympics: Rio Highlights 2016. Action from the 15th and penultimate day in Rio. **1.00** Film: Pal Joey. (1957) Musical comedy, starring Frank Sinatra. **2.45** Top of the Pops. **3.25** Highlands: Scotland's Wild Heart. (R) **4.25** Songs of Praise. **5.00** Olympics 2016. Further live action on the 16th and final day in Rio. **6.30** Wallace & Gromit: The Wrong Trousers. Nick Park's Oscar-winning animation, in which the inventor and his dog find their lives turned upside down by their villainous penguin lodger. (R) **7.00** Cats v Dogs: Which Is Best? Chris Packham and Liz Bonnin present the first of two programmes in which they put their canine chums and feline friends under the microscope, with the aim of answering the age-old question – which are best, cats or dogs? The animals go head to head in a series of rounds testing different aspects, beginning in this edition with intelligence, sensory powers and physical prowess. On the search for answers, dog-lover Chris comes face to face with a pack of wolves, while feline fan Liz confronts an Arabian wild cat to discover how the relationship between humans and their pets have evolved. (R) **8.00** Robot Wars. Dara O Briain and Angela Scanlon present more battles, featuring one of the tallest robots to ever enter the arena, a mechanical lobster, and a machine with spinning teeth. **9.00** Dragons' Den. The panel assesses more money-spinning ideas, including an unusual coffee lid, a range of coconut-based products, and a safety device for hairstyling gadgets. Evan Davis presents. **10.00** Fleabag. New series. Comedy, written by and starring Phoebe Waller-Bridge as a woman wrestling with the demands of modern living through a mixture of bravado and casual sex. **10.30** Murder in Successville. New series. DI Sleet is framed for the murder of Nick Knowles. It falls to his latest celebrity sidekick Vicki Pattison to clear his name. **11.00** Film: Sex & Drugs & Rock & Roll. (2010) **12.50** Sign Zone: Countryfile. (R) **1.45** NYPD: Biggest Gang in New York? (R) **2.30** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Fort Boyard Ultimate Challenge. **6.25** Pat & Stan. (R) **6.35** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **6.45** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **6.55** Signed Stories: Share a Story. (R) **7.00** Scooby. (R) **7.15** Super 4. (R) **7.35** Thunderbirds Are Go. (R) **8.00** Ninjago: Rise of the Snakes. (R) **8.25** ITV News. **8.30** Weekend. **9.25** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **10.20** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **11.15** Film: Columbo: Swan Song. (1974) **1.15** ITV News: Weather. **1.20** Long Lost Family. (R) **2.20** The Chase. (R) **3.20** Film: The Incredible Hulk. (2008) Comic-book adventure, starring Edward Norton. **5.25** Masterpiece with Alan Titchmarsh. (R) **6.25** Regional Programme: Weather. **6.40** ITV News: Weather. **7.00** The Zoo. In Regent's Park, keeper Paul Kybett notices a 15-year-old lioness is not feeding, so vet Tai Strike and her team are called in to perform an emergency exploratory operation. The animal appears to be getting better after the procedure, but then takes a turn for the worse, leaving staff facing one of the most difficult decisions of all. Meanwhile, keeper Graeme Williamson begins a new role training chimps one-on-one, and at Whipsnade, an Asian elephant calf takes its first steps guided by its mother. Narrated by Sarah Lancashire. (R) **8.00** Midsomer Murders. An international cycling competition comes to the Midsomer village of Burwood Mantle, but when the race leader is murdered, DCI Barnaby and DS Nelson must investigate. During the race's finale, the victim overlooks his team-mate to win, leaving the team owner annoyed that he disobeyed his orders, and the rival manager disappointed that his team lost. However, as the pair look into the case, they find themselves drawn into a competitive world of blackmail, bribery and bloodshed, where winning comes at any cost. (R) **10.00** ITV News: Weather. **10.20** Slow Train Through Africa with Griff Rhys Jones. The comedian travels through Zambia and Zimbabwe. (R) **11.15** Tipping Point. Ben Shephard hosts the arcade-themed quiz show. (R) **12.15** Jackpot247. **3.00** Motorsport UK. **3.50** ITV Nightscreen.

CHANNEL 4

6.15 Shipping Wars. (R) **6.40** The King of Queens. (R) **7.05** The King of Queens. (R) **7.30** Frasier. (R) **7.55** Frasier. (R) **8.30** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **8.55** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **9.30** Sunday Brunch. **12.30** The Simpsons: Mr Burns Day. (R) **1.00** The Simpsons: Mr Burns Day. (R) **1.30** The Simpsons: Mr Burns Day. (R) **2.00** The Simpsons: Mr Burns Day. (R) **2.30** The Simpsons: Mr Burns Day. (R) **3.00** The Simpsons: Mr Burns Day. (R) **3.30** The Simpsons: Mr Burns Day. (R) **4.00** The Simpsons: Mr Burns Day. (R) **4.30** Location, Location, Location. (R) **5.35** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun. **6.30** Channel 4 News. **7.00** Posh Pawn. New series. A sculptor wants to sell a life-size statue of David Beckham, James takes a rare Porsche for a spin, and Claudia values a pair of designer handbags for a customer who is trying to fund a mansion for her cat. A member of the team drops a bombshell as a rival high-end pawnbroker store opens its doors in Manchester City Centre. **8.00** Film: Transformers: Dark of the Moon. (2011) Premiere. The heroic autobots discover that a spaceship from their own planet crashed into the moon decades ago, carrying their former leader and an incredibly powerful device. They must fight to defend the human race as their enemies the decepticons plot to use this machine to rebuild their own world and destroy the Earth. Sci-fi adventure sequel, with Shia LaBeouf, Josh Duhamel and Rosie Huntington-Whiteley. **11.00** Film: The Grey. (2011) Eight stranded oil rig workers must make a gruelling journey across the Alaskan tundra, stalked by a pack of ferocious wolves. Adventure, starring Liam Neeson and Frank Grillo. **1.10** Friday Night Dinner. (R) **1.40** Walking the Himalayas. Levison Wood returns to the site of his car crash to resume the journey. (R) **2.35** The World's Wildest Weather. Featuring popcorn-like snow in South Carolina. (R) **3.30** China: Treasures of the Jade Empire. Exploring the tombs of China's greatest dynasty. (R) **4.25** Phil: Secret Agent Down Under. A family from Yorkshire seeks a new home in Adelaide. (R) **5.15** Location, Location, Location. Catching up with two couples who had high expectations. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. **6.05** Toby's Travelling Circus. (R) **6.15** Angelina Ballerina. (R) **6.30** Bob the Builder. (R) **6.40** Wanda and the Alien. (R) **6.50** Zack and Quack. (R) **7.05** Pets. (R) **7.10** Noddy in Toyland. (R) **7.20** Paw Patrol. **7.35** Little Princess. (R) **7.50** Pip Ahoy! (R) **8.05** Blaze and the Monster Machines. (R) **8.35** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **8.50** Shimmer and Shine. **9.15** Jelly Jamm. (R) **9.30** LazyTown. (R) **9.55** The Fairly OddParents. **10.30** Football on 5: The Championship. (R) **11.30** Football on 5: Goal Rush. (R) **12.00** Film: Christmas Song. (2012) Romantic drama, with Natasha Henstridge and Gabe Hogan. **1.45** Film: The Christmas Bunny. (2010) Family drama, starring Sophie Bolen. **3.40** Film: Lucky Christmas. (2011) Romantic drama, with Elizabeth Berkley and Jason Gray-Stanford. **5.25** Film: Defending Santa. (2013) Festive drama, starring Dean Cain. **7.00** Christmas Makes You Laugh Out Loud. Iain Lee narrates a compilation of amusing and outrageous Christmas-themed videos that have taken the internet by storm in a seasonal special showcasing hilarious online clips with a festive twist. Examples include the unpredictable reactions of youngsters, from the adorable moment a young boy catches Santa Claus delivering presents on his webcam to the tantrum to end all tantrums thrown by one child who does not receive the gifts he was expecting. (R) **8.00** Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away! Christmas Special. The debt collection agents grapple with moral dilemmas during the festive period, including a young family who are made homeless when the landlord repossesses their home. (R) **8.55** 5 News Weekend. **9.00** Celebrity Big Brother. The remaining housemates embark on their final week, knowing only one of them can be crowned Celebrity Big Brother winner on Friday night. The past four weeks has certainly seen quite a few fall-outs – will things get better or worse as the celebrities begin to eye up the prize? **10.00** V Festival Live. The second of two live broadcasts from the festival. **1.00** SuperCasino. **3.10** Suspects: The Enemy Within. (R) **4.50** House Doctor. (R) **4.50** Wildlife SOS. (R)

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BBC Four
1.00 Olympics 2016 **10.00** Secret Voices of Hollywood **11.30** Entertaining the Troops **12.30** Fifties British War Films: Days of Glory **1.30** Dancing in the Blitz: How World War Two Made British Ballet **2.30** Secret Voices of Hollywood **4.00** Close **ITV2**
12.20 The X Factor: Top 10 OMG! Moments **1.20** Take Me Out **2.50** You've Been Framed! **3.20** Film: The Smurfs 2 (2013) **4.20** FYI Daily **4.25** Film: The Smurfs 2 (2013) **5.25** The Xtra Factor: Top 10 Judge Moments **8.25** Film: Corpse Bride (2005) **7.25** FYI Daily **7.30** Film: Corpse Bride (2005) **8.00** Film: Evan Almighty (2007) **9.05** FYI Daily **9.10** Film: Evan Almighty (2007) **10.00** Family Guy **12.00** American Dad! **12.55** Bordertown **1.25** The Cleveland Show **2.20** Teleshopping **5.50** ITV2 Nightscreen **ITV3**
11.40 Film: Calamity Jane (1953) **12.40** A Touch of Frost **2.55** Wycliffe **4.05** Film: That's Carry On (1978) **5.10** FYI Daily **5.15** Film: That's Carry On (1978) **5.55** Margery and Gladys **8.00** Royal Stories **9.00** Million Dollar Princesses **10.05** Film: The Young Victoria (2009) **11.05** FYI Daily **11.10** Film: The Young Victoria (2009) **12.10** Wire in the Blood **3.00** May the Best House Win **4.40** Rising Damp **5.35** ITV3 Nightscreen **ITV4**
1.40 Film: Deströy (1954) **2.40** FYI Daily **2.45** Film: Deströy (1954) **3.45** Film: The Secret War of Harry Frigg (1967) **4.45** FYI Daily **4.50** Film: The Secret War of Harry Frigg (1967) **6.00** Mr Bean **7.00** Cycling: Vuelta a Espana **8.00** The Chase: Golden Balls Special **9.05** Film: State of Play (2009) **10.05** FYI Daily **10.10** Film: State of Play (2009) **11.40** Film: Transporter 3 (2008) **12.40** FYI Daily **12.45** Film: Transporter 3 (2008) **1.45** Highway Patrol **2.10** Cycling: Vuelta a Espana **3.00** Teleshopping **E4**
12.00 Coach Trip: Road to Ibiza **2.30** Film: Turner & Hooch (1989) **4.35** The Goldbergs **6.30** The Big Bang Theory **10.00** Tattoo Fixers on Holiday **11.00** Gogglebox **12.40** Rude Tube: Ultimate Champions **1.45** Containment **2.40** Gogglebox **3.20** Hollyoaks **Film4**
1.00 Marmaduke (2010) **2.45** The Spy Next Door (2010) **4.35** Big (1988) **6.40** A Good Year (2006) **9.00** 3:10 to Yuma (2007) **11.25** The Paperboy (2012) **1.35** Stroszek (1977) **3.50** Close

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FILM CHOICES

MONDAY

Expecting Amish, Channel 5, 3.15pm

An Amish teenager joins her friends in Los Angeles, expecting to return home after a year and marry her boyfriend. She has an affair with a DJ during the break, which shakes her devotion to her culture. When she realises she is pregnant, she faces being ostracised from her family. Drama, starring AJ Michalka and Alyson Stoner. (2014)

TUESDAY

White Oleander, BBC1, 11.20pm

A 15-year-old girl's happy life is thrown into upheaval when her mother is sentenced to life imprisonment for murdering her lover. Astrid spends the rest of her adolescence drifting from one foster home to another, but her mother remains a constant influence in her life. Drama based on Janet Fitch's novel, starring Alison Lohman, Michelle Pfeiffer, Renee Zellweger, Robin Wright and Billy Connolly. (2002)



Keeping Rosy, Thursday, BBC1, 11.30pm

WEDNESDAY

The Fourth Kind, Channel 4, 12.55am

A psychiatrist in an Alaskan town interviews traumatised patients claiming to suffer from nightmares. Using hypnosis to recover their deepest memories, she is horrified to find evidence they may have been abducted by aliens in an extraterrestrial conspiracy that continues to affect the area. Sci-fi horror, starring Milla Jovovich. (2009)

THURSDAY

Keeping Rosy, BBC1, 11.30pm

A businesswoman who has devoted her life to running a media agency is betrayed by her partners. Emotional and angry, she commits an uncharacteristic violent act and takes increasingly desperate measures to make amends and protect an innocent from further harm. Thriller, starring Maxine Peake. (2014)

FRIDAY

Bird on a Wire, ITV, 10.40pm

A police informant responsible for the conviction of a drug dealer enters a witness protection scheme. Years later, his former college sweetheart recognises him at a petrol station, blowing his cover. Comedy adventure, with Mel Gibson and Goldie Hawn. (1990)

Contestants hope to rise to the challenge

The Olympics are over, so now it's time for another prestigious competition to begin – the hunt for Britain's best amateur baker. And this one involves a lot more cake...

Last year's Great British Bake Off was the most successful series to date, with more than 13 million viewers tuning in to watch Nadiya Hussain take the trophy. It also provided plenty of talking points, including Paul Jagger's amazing bread lion, which won a special commendation from judge Paul Hollywood, a man who isn't known for being easily impressed.

So will the latest run be able to top it? Well, the signs are promising as it seems that after six series of making double entendres and consoling contestants about their soggy bottoms, this time around, presenter Mel Giedroyc has caught the baking bug herself.

She told Prima Magazine: "For the first time this year, I have actually done some!"

"Paul gave us a good recipe for no-knead bread and Sue showed me

how to make soda bread. Cake-wise, we made a pineapple upside-down sponge, which was a bit of a hit with the crew. And I really loved making it."

In fact, she enjoyed it so much that she's admitted that she's discussed opening up a tearoom with co-presenter Sue Perkins once Bake Off is finished.

That won't be for a while yet though, as the new series gets under way and we meet the dozen bakers who will be hoping to wow us with their pastry.

Every year, the standard seems to get higher, and judges Paul and Mary Berry have come up with 30 new challenges designed to test their technical know-how and creative flair. From bread to biscuits, and high-end patisserie to store cupboard classics via beautiful botanical creations, the class of 2016 will have to prove they can do it all.

In the first edition, the focus is on cakes as Paul and Mary take the hopefuls back to basics by asking them to whip up a British classic in

the signature challenge. However, we shouldn't take that to mean that the contestants are being eased in gently, as the judges will be as exacting as ever.

Then it's on to the dreaded technical challenge, which sees them getting to grips with fatless sponges and tricky chocolate work as they attempt to make a popular little cake.

Finally, it's the showstopper, which gives them a chance to really impress – but Paul and Mary are looking for perfection, and someone has to go home...

If that's not quite enough Bake Off action for one week, the episode is followed by The Chronicles of Nadiya, which sees the reigning champion going back to her family's roots in Bangladesh, where she shares some of her favourite recipes.

Then on Friday, BBC Two brings us The Great British Bake Off: An Extra Slice, as Jo Brand looks at some of the highlights – and lowlights – of the first edition, and chats to the first baker to be evicted from the tent.



The Great British Bake Off, Wednesday, BBC1, 8pm

BEST OF THE REST

MONDAY

500 Questions

ITV, 9pm

New series. General knowledge quiz hosted by writer and broadcaster Giles Coren in which contestants bank cash as they progress through rounds of 50 questions, but are eliminated if they answer three in a row incorrectly. This is an intense battle of brainpower that will test even the cleverest of contestants with a relentless stream of demanding questions, meaning intellect, strategy and stamina are all essential in order to win as there are no help, hints or multiple choice options to fall back on.

TUESDAY

One Of Us

BBC1, 9pm

Juliet Stevenson and an equally top drawer cast star in this new drama set in the remote Scottish Highland village of Braeston. When two childhood sweethearts are killed on their return from honeymoon, their families are understandably devastated to hear of the deaths, but their world is turned upside down when the murderer arrives badly injured on their doorstep the night after the killing, leaving them with a terrible dilemma. Good support comes from Joanna Vanderham.

Beauty and the Baker

Channel 4, 10pm

New series. Israeli comedy drama about a baker and a megastar who are galaxies apart but find that sparks fly when their worlds collide. Baker Amos still lives at home with his parents in a cramped apartment in a Tel Aviv suburb and after separating from his nagging girlfriend of nine years, his life changes forever when he meets Noa, one of the richest and most beautiful women in Israel. Starring Aviv Alush. In Hebrew.

WEDNESDAY

Can Britain Have a Payrise?

BBC2, 8pm

New Prime Minister Theresa May has pledged to focus on 'rewarding hard-working people with higher wages' – and there are a lot of people in the UK who will be hoping that applies to them. One in five working adults are officially classed as low paid, and nearly half the British workforce earns less than £20k a year, but can we really expect that to change? James O'Brien and Stephanie

McGovern host a studio debate with 100 people from around the country who represent a different pay levels and who will be answering some very big questions, including whether British employees work hard enough and if bosses are paid too much. Stephanie will also be speaking to experts about the impact Brexit will have on our salaries.

The Watchman

Channel 4, 9pm

Stephen Graham is undoubtedly one of Britain's finest actors, one equally comfortable in Shane Meadows' brilliant urban drama This Is England and the period American setting of Boardwalk Empire. We last saw him in the BBC's The Secret Agent, and now he's back on our screens in this one-off drama, playing father-of-two Carl, a CCTV operator who spends his working days alone, watching the world through a series of screens. But Carl is becoming increasingly horrified and frustrated by the events he witnesses, and particularly by what he considers to be the police's inability to bring criminals to book. ▶ When they refuse to tackle a group of drug dealers, Carl decides to intervene – setting in motion a terrifying chain of events.



One Of Us, Tuesday, BBC1, 9pm

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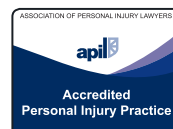
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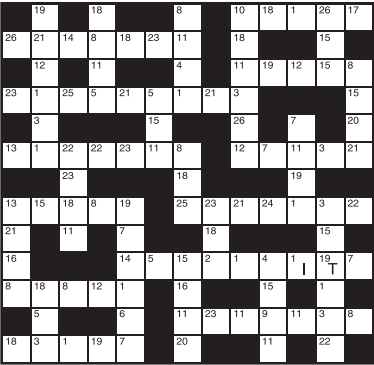
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Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:
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Y Q I O J F Z E N K G D R

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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

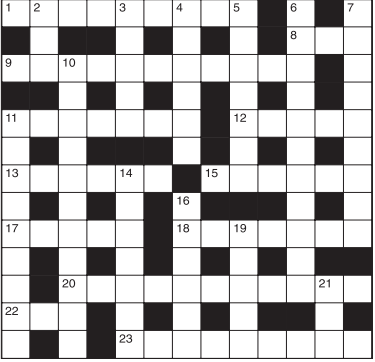
Cryptic Clues:

Across

1. A hearty meal of leguminous food? (4-5)
8. It's currently charged in associations (3)
9. This is just a mess! (4,7)
11. Plenty upset about a fine (7)
12. It's gloomy when five hundred get back (5)
- 13 & 15Ac. The fairies associated with Lilliput (6,6)
15. See 13 Across
17. The sailor in bed is an early explorer... (5)
18. ...as seen in strange tales of the briny! (3-4)
20. Exhausted, in an attitude of prayer (2,4,5)
22. Structure that is just antediluvian! (3)
23. Sham head-dress - don't believe it! (9)

Down

2. Sound receiver used in the army (3)
3. The point that will give a well-defined image (5)
4. A din we hear causes vexation (6)
5. Foot-plate (7)
6. Part of the service provided for the main meal (6,5)
7. As a rebel, he could be unresting (9)
10. Very small tomes kept by the secretary (6,5)
11. Male cop in disguise (9)
14. Causes a detonation - exacts no penalty (4,3)
16. In addition to being a bigwig! (2,4)
19. Frank Lester reveals a low joint (5)
21. I will show each good omen, initially (3)



Quick Clues:

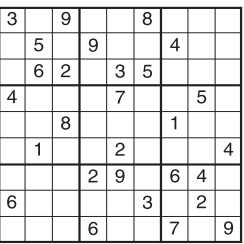
Across

1. Uncompounded (9)
8. Abrade (3)
9. Finite (11)
11. Duck (7)
12. Rub clean (5)
13. Fracture (6)
15. Attract (6)
17. Memorise (5)
18. Designate (7)
20. Instructive (11)
22. Tin (3)
23. Insipid (9)

Down

2. Untruth (3)
3. Mistake (5)
4. Strove (6)
5. Bond (7)
6. Foreboding (11)
7. Hateful (9)
10. Disposition (11)
11. Disproportion (9)
14. Guide (7)
16. Worry (6)
19. Self-esteem (5)
21. Idiot (3)

Sudoku



Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

7	2	1	8	4	9	5	3	6
3	4	8	5	1	6	9	7	2
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1	9	7	2	4	5	6	4	3
8	5	4	1	6	3	7	2	9

LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS: CRYPTIC - Across: 7 Norman; 8 Repeat; 10 Wagoner; 11 Total; 12 Hind; 13 Piano; 17 Forte; 18 Male; 22 Ropes; 23 Contest; 24 Stress; 25 Bertha. Down: 1 Know the; 2 Origins 3 Paint; 4 Heating; 5 Parts; 6 Stale; 9 Armistice; 14 Possess; 15 Magenta; 16 Central; 19 Brush; 20 Spare; 21 Under. QUICK - Across: 7 Ration; 8 Strife; 10 Venture; 11 Rogue; 12 Deep; 13 Pinch; 17 Tepid; 18 Mute; 22 Start; 23 Niggard; 24 Depart; 25 Detain. Down: 1 Provide; 2 Stunted; 3 Bogus; 4 Attract; 5 Tinge; 6 Repeat; 9 Deficient; 14 Lecture; 15 Runaway; 16 Heading; 19 Aside; 20 Happy; 21 Agree.

Quiz

1. Which sinister oriental villain was the creation of Sax Rohmer?
2. On which island is the active volcano Pico de Teide?
3. In which novel did Squire Trelawney sail the Hispaniola?
4. What did America develop in the Manhattan Project?
5. Which car registration letter was launched in 1994?
6. Which clergyman is 'Primate of England'?
7. Which actor was born Richard Jenkins?
8. What is the collective name for birds of the genus Corvus?
9. Which sport adopted the Queensberry rules in 1867?
10. Which comedian co-wrote the book Life and How to Survive It?

Last week's solutions:

Quiz: 1 Jane Fonda; 2 Alps; 3 Dock; 4 Record Breakers; 5 Korea; 6 Child Support Agency; 7 George and Ira Gershwin; 8 Ray; 9 Barbara Windsor; 10 Kelvin. Niner: PASTURING

Niner

Each number from 1 to 9 represents a different letter. Solve the clues and insert the letters in the appropriate squares to discover a word which uses all nine letters.

24391 gives a game,
5436781 gives a second game,
64186477 gives a third game.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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GONE are the days when the working day draws to its welcome conclusion and people slump off home, despondent, for their TV dinner.

Nowadays many are looking at each other, aghast, and suggesting: 'shall we go out?' The next question is: 'where to go?'

Well I have found the solution. Why not head off to Penn? The golf club to be precise. The Barley Mow is a beautiful place tucked away amid the hustle and bustle of a working city.

Approaching the venue there is a real heart-in-mouth moment symbolising a change from urban to olde worlde. The dwellings on either side quickly end and the road appears to just vanish.

The lovely, bright evening we decided to

Leigh Sanders tucks in

pay the pub a visit was obviously playing host to the Wolverhampton Dog Walkers' Society who had called an impromptu meeting in the sunshine. There was a real plethora of pooches, differing sizes, breeds and colours. It added to the countryside feel.

Now if you are over 6ft this is a real adventure. This pub may actually have been intended for hobbits. Bent over almost double, like that scene at the beginning of Lord of The Rings where Gandalf first bodes his welcome to Frodo, we popped in.

The bar area, keeping in size with the rest of the venue, is decorated with all manner of foreign coinage, sport and comedy ticket stubs from venues across the city so there is plenty to chatter about and keep you entertained while you wait to be served.

Note to diners: there is very limited seat-

ing space in the two rooms behind you – the table count barely breaking double figures – so any empty tables should be watched for like a hawk. Such is the popularity of the venue that these perching spots can often be full, so waiting may be required. But wait you should. It's worth it!

Signal

In keeping with the adventure theme, the menus are provided on the walls, so take note of what catches your eye and then return to the bar to order. The lack of phone signal in this area forces us humans to interact.

Starters don't really get too much of a look-in here so just mains were ordered. And when these arrived it was probably just as well. I had three tender lamb cutlets in a sweet jus with the largest mound of mashed potato and mixed veg. The mash was a lit-

tle too lumpy for my taste although it was creamy and very filling. The lamb was soft and tasty and fell away from the bone with relative ease.

My friend was in the mood for a pie and had the steak and stilton option with chips and another serving of veg. She commented on how 'homely' it felt and was chuffed at how much meat was inside.

It wasn't long before it became apparent about the venue's slight downfall. The size meant that when it was busy it was loud. And with the number of people and cooked food it did get a little warm.

But regardless of how full and sticky we were, we could not resist the desserts, sticky toffee pudding for me but my companion went straight for the chocolate fudge cake.

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Libraries' Pokemon challenge

POKEMON characters are lurking among the bookshelves in many Staffordshire libraries. Gamers are encouraged to drop in to their local library, some of which are designated as Pokestops, and Pokégyms, where Pokemon can be caught and trained.

Libraries across the county are hosting frequent Pokemon events for youngsters, such as conducting Pokemon Go tours.

While on the hunts, libraries are encouraging people to sign up to The Big Friendly Read, this year's Roald Dahl-inspired summer reading challenge. Penkridge Library has already signed up 200 children.

Almost 7,500 children, across Staffordshire, aged four to eleven, signed up for the free scheme in its first three weeks, enjoying fun activities designed to inspire and entertain young readers.

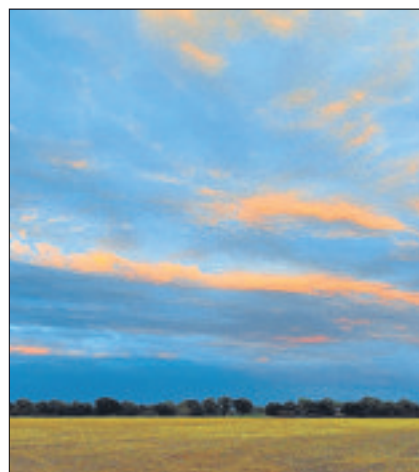
Councillor Gill Heath, who is responsible for Staffordshire's libraries, said: "Almost 60 per cent of children surveyed after last year's challenge believed they were better readers by the end of the holidays."

Pledge after trapped canal ducklings die

DOZENS of ducklings were killed on a Staffordshire canal after becoming trapped, according to someone who lives on the waterway. Anita Jones called for action after she said 84 baby ducks died at a canal lock in Wheaton Aston, near Penkridge.

The birds had fallen down the side of the overlock and got stuck. The birds were unable to free themselves and subsequently starved to death days later, she said. Mrs Jones, who has lived on a canal boat for the past 14 years, said she could hear the ducklings, listening to them getting 'weaker and weaker'.

Colourful evening clouds captured



Picture editor Steve Derry captured this stunning shot AN evening stroll provided this picturesque snap for the Chronicle's picture and user generated content editor, Steve Derry.

The evening view was taken from a countryside lane in Hamstall Ridware.

In the distance is Rugeley, while the sunset is behind where the picture is taken.

Hamstall Ridware is a hamlet with a pub called the Shoulder of Mutton. It is popular with walkers.

Mr Derry said: "While on an evening walk I saw the vivid orange colours of the cloud.

"I thought it provided a good contrast with the colour of the farmland.

"I tend to take my camera out on most evening walks as this time of the year provides excellent summer sunsets."

The photograph was taken using a Nikon D700. Anyone wanting to submit their photographs can visit www.expressandstar.com/starwitness for a chance to win £100.

'Buckle up your pets'

ETHICAL retailer Pets Corner is urging animal owners to buckle up their furry friends before driving.

A survey by the family-run company, which has a branch in Hednesford, found that of 700 people questioned, 68 per cent of them believe pet seatbelts should be compulsory for animals travelling in a vehicle if they are not restrained by other suitable means.

Sixty six per cent agreed that a dog guard is not enough to maintain an animal's safety.

Rock memorial to be unveiled at weekend

A MEMORIAL to British servicemen and police who lost their lives during four years of bloodshed in Cyprus will be unveiled at the National Memorial Arboretum this weekend. A total of 371 soldiers, sailors and airmen and 21 British civilian police officers were killed in the Cyprus Emergency, which lasted from April 1955 to April 1959.

They are buried in a military cemetery, near Nicosia, that has been largely inaccessible to the public for many years. The new memorial, which incorporates a giant, four-ton piece of Cyprus rock, is believed to be the first one to honour both military personnel and civilian police who have lost their lives on the same active service.

The memorial will be unveiled by retired Royal Air Force Chief of the Air Staff, Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Graydon, on Sunday at 10.45am.

Staffordshire County Council leader Philip Atkins said the Arboretum 'will make a fitting home for the rock'.

The 62-year-old said: "This happens every summer. I first got in touch with the Canal and Rivers Trust in May and explained what happened. Lots of ideas were put forward, and the intention was there, but nothing ever materialised.

"We've been on the canal for 14 years so have seen it decimate the bird population. It is so upsetting that it takes them on average two and a half days to die."

"We are on the canal for six months a year and live directly opposite the ducks so feed them. We know how many babies were there to start with."

Video

Mrs Jones posted a video to the Canal and River Trust's Facebook page outlining her concern.

The video was viewed more than 5,000 times and led to angry responses.

The trust has now taken action and has introduced a 'bespoke boom' to stop the ducklings from falling into the overlock.

A spokesman for the Canal and River Trust said: "We hope that the boom will be enough of a deterrent that the ducklings no longer fall into the weir, but won't affect the navigation of boats in this area.

"This is a trial, and we will see if it is successful. If not, we do have another solution to fall back on."

Lessons in art

FREE art classes for children are taking place at Rugeley's Rose Theatre all this week. The classes, for those aged nine and above, are open to beginners through to advanced artists. They are running 10am to 2pm. To book, call 01889 584036.

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Wickes staff step out to launch charity fundraising partnership

STAFF from the Wickes store in Cannock walked 11 miles in costume to raise money for the company's new charity partner Alzheimer's Research UK.

To mark the launch of the new charity partnership, the team of four set off from the Cannock store and walked to the Wickes store in Lichfield as part of a week of fundraising activities. The money raised will fund research to help the 850,000 people currently affected by dementia in the UK.

This challenge is part of a kick-off fundraising campaign called the Tour De Wickes, in which every Wickes store nationwide linked itself to another as part of a relay.

Colleagues nationwide made their way from their own store to the next as fast as

possible – whether by foot, bike, horse, or space hopper – all in the name of charity.

Two days later one colleague from each store finished off the Tour with a final team sprint from the newly built Watford store to the Watfordbased Support Centre, marking the beginning of Wickes' partnership with Alzheimer's Research UK and celebrating the fundraising efforts by store workers across the country to combat dementia.

Over the next three years, Wickes is aiming to raise a combined total of £1million for Alzheimer's Research UK.

Hilary Evans, chief executive of Alzheimer's Research UK, said: "We know that Wickes staff are a committed and passionate group, and their backing is a real boost."



A picture of the Walhouse Cricket Club players taken in around 1986

Reunion of ex-players

A REUNION of former players of Walhouse Cricket Club is set to take place next month in Cannock.

The reunion is being held at 8pm on Friday, September 9 at The Royal Oak pub, in the town centre.

It has been organised by former player Andrew Crutchley.

The picture of the team here was taken in around 1986 with the club having been formed in 1947.

Mr Crutchley said: "It will be great to get former players together to have a beer and enjoy a nice nostalgic evening."

For further information about the reunion, call Mr Crutchley on 01543 502375.

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Nursery is criticised over safety of children

A CANNOCK nursery which has not been 'assuring' children's safety has been criticised by inspectors.

Ofsted has rated Little Chasers Day Nursery as 'inadequate' in its latest inspection. Among a catalogue of failings, inspectors said, the welfare and safety of the children was 'not assured', while the nappy changing and toilet facilities were 'not suitable, safe or hygienic'.

The St John's Road nursery, which looks after 54 children aged up to five, has been issued with a welfare requirements notice, meaning it will be prosecuted should it not improve upon re-inspection.

On top of the concerns raised about safety and the changing and toilet facilities, the report – released this month after the inspection in July – read: "The opportunities provided to promote the children's physical development are inadequate."

Individual

"Children do not have access to outdoor activities, and staff do not plan daily outdoor and indoor experiences to help build on the children's physical skills."

"Not all staff meet the individual care needs of children well enough."

"The quality of teaching is inconsistent and on occasions inadequate. Parents are not all kept up to date with information about their children's progress and development."

"The leadership and management team are ineffective and the systems to manage staff underperformance are not robust"

enough. In addition, a written record of complaints made by parents and their outcome is not maintained."

However, the nursery was praised for providing freshly prepared, healthy and nutritious meals.

In response to the report, the nursery released a statement saying: "Some safeguarding issues raised were with the building itself. However, these very issues were items that were passed by one of Ofsted's own inspectors only six months ago when we moved here."

"The manager was not present on the day of inspection to challenge these points. She has since notified Ofsted in writing about some of the factual inaccuracies in the report."

"We have immediately completed all actions set by Ofsted and gone above and beyond those actions to add our own and ensure the nursery is the best it can be."

"We have contacted Ofsted and have requested a re-inspection at their earliest convenience."

"We sincerely apologise to any of our nursery families that feel we have let them down."

NHS bosses to mark 'a year of progress'

THE Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent Partnership NHS Trust will hold its AGM on September 8 at the Rising Brook Conference Centre in Stafford from 5pm until 7pm.

The trust provides community health services and adult social care in Staffordshire. There will be an opportunity to hear about the ongoing work with partners as part of the Staffordshire health and care system's transformation programme, Together We're Better.

Chairman David Pearson said: "During the last 12 months we have marked four years as a provider of integrated health and adult social care."

"The trust board and I welcome all members of the public, service users, carers and stakeholders to the AGM to celebrate this year's progress, and look to how we can continue to work with partners to provide the highest quality health and social care in the community." Call 0300 123 1161 ext 2849 or email communications@ssttp.nhs.uk

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The Chronicle Thursday, August 18, 2016

Fully refurbished semi-detached has a good sized garden

Being fully refurbished, 25 James Street, Cannock, has been renovated to a high standard throughout.

It is for sale through Flint & Co at £124,950. Having having gas central heating and double glazing, its accommodation briefly comprises a lounge, modern open plan kitchen/family room, two good sized bedrooms, a re-fitted modern family bathroom and a good size rear garden.

An ideal first time buy with double glazing and gas central heating, the agents are stressing that this lovely home really needs to be viewed, in order to be fully appreciated!

In more detail it has an entrance hall with wood-effect laminate floor and stairs off.

A door opens to the lounge, which again has wood-effect laminate flooring plus a bay window to the front and door to kitchen/family room.

The family room has again has wood-effect laminate flooring and a door opening to the rear garden.

The kitchen area has modern fitted units including a range of base units with work tops over, incorporating an acrylic sink, integrated electric hob and oven with extractor hood over, partial wall tiling, laminate wood-effect flooring, an integral fridge/freezer and a window to the side. There is also a utility having plumbing for a washing machine and wood-effect laminate flooring.

The master bedroom has two windows overlooking the front while bedroom two has a window overlooking the rear garden.

The master bedroom has two windows overlooking the frontage, while bedroom two overlooks the rear.

Being re-fitted, the modern bathroom has a white suite comprising a low level wc, vanity wash hand basin, a bath with a mixer tap shower over, tiled walls and heated towel rail.

Outside there is a gravelled driveway to the front and an enclosed rear garden with lawn, a gravelled and barked area and a garage.

KEY FEATURES

Refurbished

2 good sized bedrooms

Ideal first time buy

Open plan kitchen/family room

Good sized rear garden

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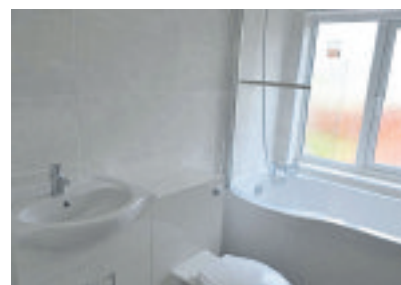
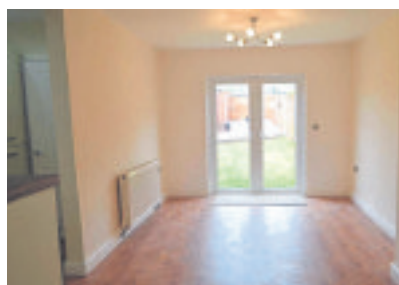


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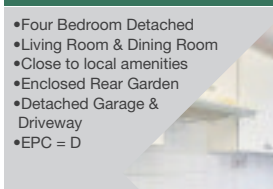
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A well presented four bedroomed detached family home in a sought after location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Guest Cloakroom, Breakfast Kitchen, Lounge, Dining Room, Conservatory. First Floor Landing, Master Bedroom, En-Suite, Three Further Bedrooms, Family Bathroom. Integral Garage, Large Driveway, Garden to Front and Rear. EPC Rating - C.

£240,000

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A three bedroomed semi-detached family home offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Gas Central Heating and UPVC double-glazing. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Utility and Downstairs WC. First Floor Landing with Three Bedrooms and Shower Room. Gardens to front and rear. Side Workshop with driveway. EPC RATING - D.

£142,500

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£99,500

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ARCH STREET RUGELEY

A traditional two bedroomed terraced house within walking distance to Town Centre and Local Amenities. Gas Central and Double Glazing. Entrance Door, Kitchen and Lounge. First Floor Landing, Two Bedrooms and Re-Fitted Bathroom. Shared Courtyard and Bin Store. EPC Rating - E.

£94,950

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£165,000

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GREEN LANE RUGELEY

A three bedroomed property within walking distance to town centre and local amenities. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Accommodation comprises Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Kitchen, Downstairs WC and Veranda. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear with off road parking. NO UPWARD CHAIN. EPC RATING - D.

£115,000

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WESTBUTTS ROAD ETCHINGHILL

Traditional detached with open aspect to rear. Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing. Entrance Hallway, Downstairs Wet Room, Lounge, Dining Room, Breakfast Kitchen and Inner Lobby leading to Annex with Wet Room and Open plan Living Area. Landing, Three Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. Further Stairs to Attic Bedroom. Off Road Parking and Gardens. EPC RATING - D.

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**FINCHES HILL
ETCHINGHILL**

A three bedroomed semi detached property offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazed. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Integral Garage and Off Road Parking. Gardens to front and rear. EPC Rating - E

£139,950

NO CHAIN

**FORGE ROAD
RUGELEY**

Offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN is this two bedroomed property making it ideal for the local town centre amenities. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Kitchen, First floor Landing, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Small garden area to front. Parking in communal area to rear. EPC RATING - D

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NO CHAIN

**WOLSELEY ROAD
RUGELEY**

A second floor apartment in a purpose built modern development offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Double Glazing and Electric Heating. Communal Entrance Hall, Second Floor Landing, Entrance Hall, Open plan Lounge/ Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, En-suite Shower Room plus Bathroom. UPVC double-glazed. Electric Heating. Allocated Parking Space. EPC RATING - C

£126,000

NO CHAIN

**LEASOWE ROAD
BRERETON**

A three bedroomed terraced property in a popular location is offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Comprising of Entrance Hall, Guest W.C., Lounge and Kitchen, First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway with Off Road Parking and Garden to rear. EPC RATING - D

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**YORK CLOSE
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A modern ground floor apartment with electric heating. Accommodation comprises Lounge, Kitchen with appliances, Bathroom and Double Bedroom. Allocated Parking. Viewing recommended. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. DEPOSIT £545

£415 pcm

**SCHOLARS GATE
BRERETON**

A well presented three bedroomed semi detached family home in a popular location. Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing. Entrance Hallway, Lounge and Kitchen/ Diner. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Garage and Off Road Parking. Garden to Front and Rear. Viewing Recommended. EPC RATING - D

£170,000

NO CHAIN

**UPPER LODGE ROAD
ARMITAGE**

A delightful refurbished two bedroomed semi detached bungalow in a popular village location with uninterrupted open views to the rear offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Kitchen, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Off Road Parking. Gardens to the Front and rear. EPC RATING - D

£175,000

NO CHAIN

**LARKHOLME CLOSE
ETCHINGHILL**

A detached home with NO UPWARD CHAIN situated in the sought after location of Etchinghill. Accommodation comprises of Entrance Hall, W.C. Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen and Utility Room. First Floor Landing, Two Bedrooms and Shower Room. Driveway, Car Port and Garden. EPC RATING - D

£235,000

NEW

**BALLAM MEWS
RUGELEY**

Well presented maisonette in town centre location. Accommodation comprises of Lounge/Dining room, Kitchen, Two Bedrooms and Shower room. GCH and DG. Courtyard area to front. Off road parking. VIEWING RECOMMENDED. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. EPC Rating C. DEPOSIT £740

£535 pcm

NEW

**DYKE ROAD
ARMITAGE**

Well presented and terraced property in popular location. Comprises of Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen/Diner with some appliances. Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front, side and rear. Garage and driveway. VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. EPC Rating D. DEPOSIT £824

£595 pcm

**TALBOT STREET
RUGELEY**

This spacious unique three bedroom mid terraced townhouse in need of modernisation having many traditional features is offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Viewing is essential to appreciate the size of the accommodation. EPC RATING - E

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£600 pcm

NEW

**RIDERS WAY
ETCHINGHILL**

Spacious link detached property, comprising of Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen with some appliances, Utility room, Dining Room, ground floor Shower Room and Family Room. Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear. Driveway parking. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. EPC Rating D. DEPOSIT £900

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Immaculately presented executive detached family home / Sought after location / Tastefully decorated and finished to a high standard / Several spacious reception rooms

Offers in Excess of £450,000

Woodmans Lane
CHESLYN HAY



Five bedroom detached dormer style house / Quiet end plot on sought after cul-de-sac / Modern fitted kitchen / Double garage / Large plot with good sized rear garden

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Littleworth Road
RAWNSLEY



Five bedroom detached family home / NO UPWARD CHAIN / Breakfast kitchen / Drive for more than ten vehicles / Enclosed rear garden / EPC: C

Offers in Excess of £390,000

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Executive Five Bedroom Detached Family Home / Large Reception Style Conservatory / Finished To A High Specification Throughout / Stunning Open Plan Dining Kitchen / Five Double Bedrooms

£379,950

Walsall Road
GREAT WYRLEY



Charming four bedroom detached character property / Spacious living and sleeping accommodation / Farmhouse breakfast kitchen / Driveway with ample parking

Offers in Excess of £350,000

Wood Lane
CANNOCK



Impressive five bedroom detached dormer style house / Tastefully decorated throughout / Spacious living & sleeping accommodation / Large reception style conservatory / Detached garage / Drive for

£345,000

Croxley Drive
HEDNESFORD



Executive Four Bedroom Detached Family Home / Good Sized Corner Plot / Quiet Sought After Cul-De-Sac / Four Double Bedrooms / Double Garage / Good Sized Rear Garden

Offers in Excess of £342,995

Lion Street
RUGELEY



Spacious and truly unique character property / Potentially seven bedrooms / High ceilings & original fireplaces throughout / High ceilings & original fireplaces throughout

Offers in Excess of £300,000

East Butts Road
ETCHING HILL



Deceptively spacious four bedroom detached bungalow / Spacious living & sleeping accommodation / First floor master bedroom & rear extension / Modern fitted bathroom / NO ONWARD CHAIN & VACANT

Offers in Excess of £300,000

Haymaker Way
WIMBEBURY



Immaculately presented executive detached family home / Quiet parkland to the front / Superb open plan dining kitchen plus two further reception rooms / Two modern en-suites & bathroom /

£285,000

Strathmore Place
CANNOCK



Three bedroom detached bungalow / Set back from road / Quiet & sought after cul-de-sac location / Finished to good standard / Modern fitted kitchen / Integral garage / Driveway with ample parking

Offers in the Region Of £270,000

Lupin Drive
HUNTINGTON



Executive Five Bedroom Detached Family Home / Set Over Three Floors / Two En-Suites Plus Family Bathroom And Guest WC / Good Sized Private Rear Garden / Garage & Driveway

Offers in Excess of £270,000

Chasewater Way
NORTON CANES



Well presented four bedroom detached house / Sought after cul-de-sac location / Stunning large rear conservatory / Good sized private rear garden / Private driveway for two cars plus garage

£245,000

Nelson Drive
WIMBEBURY



Immaculately Presented Four Bedroom Detached House / Spacious Living & Sleeping Accommodation / Modern Fitted Breakfast Kitchen / Victorian Conservatory / Good Sized Private Rear Garden

Offers in the Region Of £235,000

Church Road
NORTON CANES



Pleasant and spacious three bedroom detached house / Quiet location / Reception hallway / Fully fitted kitchen / Newly built conservatory / WC & garage / EPC: D

Offers in Excess of £220,000

Rochester Way
HEATH HAYES



Immaculately presented three bedroom detached house / Newly fitted kitchen and bathroom / Quiet cul-de-sac location / Spacious living and sleeping accommodation

£200,000

Greenwood Park
CANNOCK



Well presented four bedroom family home / Set on good sized corner plot / Utility & play-sitting room / Front & side driveways offering ample parking / Modern kitchen with integrated appliances

Offers in Excess of £200,000

Edwards Croft
CANNOCK



Two bedroom detached bungalow / Private and exclusive cul-de-sac only three other properties / Private secluded landscaped rear garden / Modern open plan kitchen-diner

£190,000

Sharon Way
HEDNESFORD



Three bedroom detached house / Superb open plan kitchen-diner / Good sized bedrooms / Private rear garden

£190,000

Bond Way
HEDNESFORD



Three bedroom detached house / NO ONWARD CHAIN / End of a quiet private cul-de-sac / Large mature private rear garden / Spacious living & sleeping accommodation

£186,995

Rugeley Road
HEDNESFORD



Immaculately presented three bedroom detached house / Spacious open plan lounge-diner / Modern breakfast kitchen / Integral garage and driveway providing ample parking

£185,000

King Cup Drive
HUNTINGTON



Three bedroom semi detached house / Quiet cul-de-sac / Victorian conservatory /

£180,000

Cemetery Road
CANNOCK



Two adjoining dwellings / Currently set up as five bedroom house, but opportunity to convert back to two separate houses / Large rear courtyard / Ideal for investors or developers

£170,000

Pheasant Way
HEATH HAYES



Three Bedroom Mid Terraced Town House / Set Over Three Storeys / Sought After Area With Pleasant Green To Front / Finished To A Good Modern Standard / Spacious Living & Sleeping Accommodation

Offers in Excess of £170,000

Grouse Way
HEATH HAYES



Three Bedroom Semi Detached House / Spacious Lounge-Diner / Modern Breakfast Kitchen / En-Suite To Master Bedroom / Private Rear Garden / Driveway For Three Vehicles

Offers in Excess of £170,000

Mill Crescent
HEATH HAYES



Well presented three bedroom semi detached house / Sought after area of Heath Hayes / Modern finish throughout / Additional conservatory to the rear

Offers in the Region Of £169,950

Ashtree Bank
RUGELEY



Three bedroom semi detached house / Spacious living & sleeping accommodation, / Integral garage and driveway with ample parking / no onward chain

£168,950

Westbourne Avenue
CANNOCK



Immaculately presented three bedroom semi-detached house / Quiet cul-de-sac / Victorian conservatory / Modern newly fitted dining kitchen & bathroom / Driveway providing off road parking

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Railway Street CANNOCK



Three/four bedroom semi detached house / NO ONWARD CHAIN / Spacious open plan lounge-diner / kitchen/diner / Private rear garden

£145,000

Hednesford Road NORTON CANES



Two bedroom character property / Fantastic semi rural location / Rolling views of the countryside to the front & rear / Newly modern fitted kitchen & bathroom

£140,000

Westbourne Avenue CANNOCK



Three bedroom semi detached house / Spacious open plan lounge-diner / Quiet cul-de-sac / Walking distance of local amenities / Detached garage and driveway providing ample parking

Offers in Excess of £135,000

Wolverhampton Road CANNOCK



Well presented two bedroom semi detached house / Modern open plan kitchen-diner and bathroom / Two double bedrooms / Driveway with ample parking

Offers in Excess of £130,000

Rawnsley Road RAWNSLEY



Traditional mid terraced house / Superb semi rural location / Picturesque views of Cannock Chase / Four good sized bedrooms / Useful cellar

£130,000

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Well Lane GREAT WYRLEY



Two bedroom mid-terrace house / Good sized lounge-diner / Modern kitchen / Extended private rear garden / Driveway for two vehicles

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Hednesford Street CANNOCK



Four bedroom traditional mid terrace house / Spacious accommodation / Good sized fourth bedroom to attic with en-suite bathroom / On street parking to front & private rear garden

£130,000

Florence Street HEDNESFORD



Two bedroom semi detached house / Good sized lounge / Modern open plan dining kitchen / Low maintenance private rear garden

Offers in Excess of £130,000

Sycamore Way HUNTINGTON



Two bedroom bungalow / Quiet cul-de-sac / Superb semi rural location with stunning views of Cannock Chase / Good sized & charming private rear garden with shed/work shop, low maintenance

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Odin Close CANNOCK



Extended three bedroom semi detached house / Spacious living & sleeping accommodation / Modern kitchen & bathroom / Private rear garden and driveway.

£125,000

Sandown Close RAWNSLEY



Three Bedroom End Terrace House / Quiet Semi Rural Location / Good Sized Bedrooms / Spacious Lounge / Driveway For Two Vehicles / Private Rear Garden

£125,000

Anglesey Street HEDNESFORD



Two Bedroom End Terraced House / Stunning Communal Gardens / Exclusive Private Mews Development / Spacious Living & Sleeping Accommodation / Modern Kitchen & Bathroom

£125,000

Cannock Road CANNOCK



Traditional two bedroom mid terraced house / Finished to good modern standard / Retains original character & charm / Spacious living & sleeping accommodation

Offers in Excess of £110,000

Broadhurst Green HEDNESFORD



Three bedroom semi detached house / NO ONWARD CHAIN / Spacious lounge / Dining kitchen / Driveway with ample parking

£109,950

Sandpiper Close HEDNESFORD



Two Bedroom Mid Terraced House / Quiet Cul-De-Sac / Spacious Lounge / Freshly Decorated Throughout / Modern Kitchen-Diner / Off Road Parking / Private Rear Garden

Offers in Excess of £105,000

Wrights Avenue CANNOCK



Three bedroom semi detached house / Modern fitted kitchen & bathroom / Spacious lounge / Off road parking

£100,000

Ajax Close GREAT WYRLEY



NO UPWARD CHAIN / Well presented two bedroom mid terraced property / Spacious lounge / Fully fitted kitchen-diner / Allocated parking space & garage

£99,999

Woottons Court CANNOCK



Spacious two bedroom first floor apartment / Revovated & refurbished / Lounge & kitchen / Allocated & visitor parking / Communal gardens / EPC: C

£94,950

Woottons Court CANNOCK



Two bedroom top floor apartment / Offroad Parking / Spacious living and sleeping accommodation / Modern kitchen & bathroom

Offers in Excess of £90,000

Stagborough Way HEDNESFORD



Well presented one bedroom front to back terraced house / Ideal for first time buyers or investors / NO ONWARD CHAIN & VACANT POSSESSION / Open plan living room with lounge & dining area

£90,000

Oxford Road CANNOCK



First floor maisonette / Ideal for first time buyers and investors / Modern fitted kitchen & re-fitted shower room / Spacious lounge-diner / Private rear garden

£82,500

Longacres HEDNESFORD



First floor maisonette / Quiet cul-de-sac / Solid oak flooring / Modern kitchen & shower room / Single garage and driveway

£82,000

Arran Close CANNOCK



Two bedroom ground floor apartment / Property is being sold with a sitting tenant / Rental income of £pound;495 PCM / Exciting investment opportunity / Spacious lounge

£75,000

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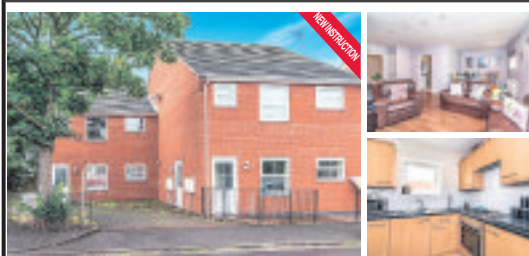


Violet Close, Huntington

£42,950

CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this two bedroom flat located in Huntington. The apartment briefly comprises of hall, lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom. The property is a part buy / part rent property, this is currently for sale as a 40% share but there maybe the option to purchase the remaining 60% if required. Energy rating: B.

Bridgetown



Union Street, Bridgetown

£110,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this two bedroom first floor apartment, located in Cannock briefly comprises of lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms - master having en-suite, bathroom and communal parking. Energy rating: Awaited.

Cannock



Station Court, Cannock

£130,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market this two bedroom mid-terraced property located in Cannock close to a train station and Mill Green and Hawks Green Nature Reserve. The property comprises of entrance hall which is open plan to the kitchen and has doors leading to the downstairs wc and the lounge. The first floor has stairs leading up from the lounge to the landing which gives access to the bathroom and two bedrooms with the master bedroom having a fitted wardrobe. Outside to the front of the property there is a driveway providing off road parking for two cars. To the rear there is an entertaining patio area and lawned area. Energy rating: B.

Norton Canes



Chapel Street, Norton Canes

£130,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this two to three bedroom semi-detached house located in Norton Canes close to village shops, bus transport links and Jerome Primary School. The property briefly comprises of entrance porch, hall, family lounge with beverage mixer bar, and kitchen. n the first floor there is a large master room and then an additional second room which has been cleverly divided into two rooms by a stud wall and having both a window and radiators both sides. As well as the above, internally the property has a cellar creating great storage space. Externally the property has a secure gate to gain access to the front entrance and to the rear there is a patio area and a separate lawn area. Energy rating: D.

Norton Canes



Brownhills Road, Norton Canes

£140,000

CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom semi-detached property, located in Norton Canes. The property briefly comprises of entrance porch, hall, lounge through diner, modern fitted kitchen, three bedrooms and a wet room. Externally to the front the property provides parking for multiple vehicles, access to rear through secure gate and to the rear there is a patio area with shrubs amongst. Energy rating: awaited.

Cannock



Huntsmans Rise, Cannock

£175,000

CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom detached house located in Cannock close to Cannock Chase. The property comprises of entrance hall, lounge and kitchen on the ground floor with the first floor having three bedrooms and a bathroom. Outside the property is a garage. Energy rating: C.

Norton Canes



Church Road, Norton Canes

Offers Over £175,000

CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom detached house, located in Norton Canes. The property comprises of entrance hall, lounge and kitchen on the ground floor with the first floor having three bedrooms and a bathroom. Outside to the front of the property is a lawn area and off road parking. To the rear is a patio area, lawned area and access to the garage. Energy rating: D.

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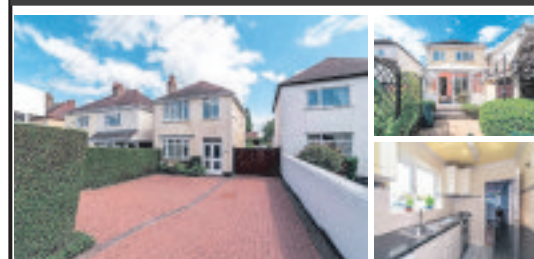


Legion Close, Norton Canes

£180,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom detached house, located in Norton Canes close to Norton Canes Primary School and Norton Canes High School. The property comprises of entrance porch, hall, lounge / diner, study / dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, WC and rear garden. Energy rating: D.

CANNOCK



Pye Green Road, CANNOCK

£180,000

CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom detached house located in Cannock which briefly comprises of entrance porch, hall, lounge / diner, kitchen, conservatory, three bedrooms, bathroom, rear garden, driveway for off road parking and an outbuilding. Energy rating: E.

NO CHAIN, WITH LAND



Chapel Street, Norton Canes **£200,000**

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market this three bedroom detached property located in Norton Canes which briefly comprises of entrance porch, entrance hall, lounge, kitchen / diner, sun lounge, three bedrooms, bathroom, off road parking, garden and garage/shed. Energy rating: awaited.

Penkridge



Nursery Drive, Penkridge **£230,000**

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market this three bedroom detached house located in penkridge briefly comprises of entrance hall, lounge, kitchen / diner, three bedrooms - master having en-suite and bathroom. Energy rating: awaited.

NO CHAIN



Colliers Way, Huntington **Offers Over £250,000**

CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this five bedroom detached house located in Huntington which briefly comprises of downstairs WC, lounge, kitchen, five bedrooms - two with en-suite, garage, family bathroom. Energy rating: C.

Norton Canes



Hednesford Road, Norton Canes **£270,000**

Connells Estate Agents have for sale this three bedroom detached dormer-bungalow in the village of Norton Canes with ample parking and NO CHAIN! The property briefly comprises of a grand entrance hall, huge family lounge with stairs to first floor, two double bedrooms with one benefiting from having an en-suite wet room with wash hand basin and WC, modern fitted kitchen with dining area and access into garage area. On the first floor there is a double bedroom with a well designed fitted wash hand basin and WC in the eaves of the roof. Externally to the front there is parking for several cars and a separate lawn area. To the rear there is a entertaining patio area, raised lawn area with a variety of shrubs. Energy rating: E.

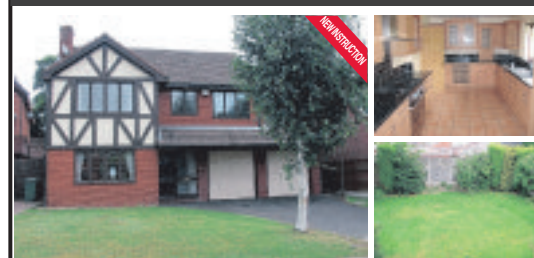
CANNOCK



Claygate Road, CANNOCK **£295,000**

CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this four bedroom detached house located in Cannock with views over Hednesford Hills. The property comprises of entrance porch, hall, lounge, study, dining room, kitchen, reception room, four bedrooms - master with en-suite, bathroom, off road parking and large wooden shed. Energy rating: E.

Shoal Hill



Chaseley Croft, Shoal Hill **£360,000**

Connells Estate Agents are delighted to present for sale this exceptional and well appointed bespoke four bedroom detached house in one of Cannocks most sought after locations; Shoal Hill. The property consists of a grand entrance hallway, family lounge, with adjoining dining room accessible via double doors, 24" fitted kitchen, downstairs WC, utility room, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, three further bedrooms and a Family bathroom. To the rear there is a spectacular garden and a double garage. EPC Rating: awaited

REDUCED



Moons Lane, Cheslyn Hay **£375,000**

This five bedroom CORNER PLOT detached house located in Cheslyn Hay briefly comprises of entrance porch, hall, lounge, downstairs W.C, reception room. five bedrooms - master having en-suite, bathroom, kitchen / diner, utility room, garage, front and rear gardens and off road parking. Energy rating: D.

Cheslyn Hay



Tudor Way, Cheslyn Hay **£375,000**

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this four bedroom detached house located in Cheslyn Hay. The property comprises of entrance porch, hall, downstairs wc, lounge, dining room, reception / study, kitchen and utility room on the ground floor with the first floor having four bedrooms - one with en-suite and a bathroom. Outside the property has a double garage. Energy rating: Awaited.

Cannock



Sherbrook Road, Cannock **£399,950**

This four bedroom detached bungalow located in Cannock briefly comprises of entrance porch, hall, lounge, dining room, 3rd reception room, kitchen / diner, conservatory, four bedrooms - master having en-suite and bathroom. Energy rating: C.



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Offers in Excess of £165,000

Annexe Included

Chieveley Close, Etchinghill,

- FLEXIBLE SPACE - POTENTIAL 5 BEDROOMS
- SELF CONTAINED ANNEX
- FOUR BEDROOMS
- TWO KITCHENS
- THREE RECEPTION ROOMS
- TWO SHOWER ROOMS
- NO UPWARD CHAIN
- OFF ROAD PARKING FOR THREE VEHICLES

Offers in the Region Of £189,995

NEW

Wharf Road, Rugeley, Goodchilts

- THREE STOREY TOWNHOUSE
- THREE BEDROOMS
- LOUNGE
- KITCHEN
- GARDEN
- OFF ROAD PARKING
- DOUBLE GLAZED THROUGHOUT
- LOCAL AMENITIES

Offers in the Region Of £155,000

NEW

Scholars Gate, Burntwood

- THREE BEDROOMS
- DINING ROOM
- KITCHEN
- LOUNGE
- BATHROOM
- GARAGE
- TWO PARKING SPACES
- GAS CENTRAL HEATING

£225,000

SOLD
Subject to Contract

Ferndale Road, Lichfield

- Extended Family Home
- Three Bedrooms
- Extended Lounge/Dining/Sitting Room
- Fitted Kitchen
- Bathroom with Separate Shower
- Integral Garage

Offers in the Region Of £230,000

Village Location

Steenwood Lane, ADMASTON, Fully

- STUNNING RURAL DETACHED HOUSE
- SOUGHT AFTER LOCATION
- THREE BEDROOMS
- THREE RECEPTIONS
- KITCHEN
- FAMILY BATHROOM
- DOUBLE GLAZED
- GAS CENTRAL HEATING

Offers in the Region Of £384,995

Waverley Gardens, Etchinghill,

- FOUR BEDROOMS
- DETACHED
- LOUNGE/DINER
- KITCHEN
- FAMILY BATHROOM
- GAS CENTRAL HEATING
- DOUBLE GLAZING
- CORNER PLOT

£229,950

Ravenhill Terrace,

- DETACHED FAMILY HOME
- FOUR BEDROOMS
- LOUNGE
- OPEN PLAN DINING ROOM
- KITCHEN
- CONSERVATORY
- GARAGE
- OUTBUILDINGS

Offers in the Region Of £220,000

SOLD
Subject to Contract

Lockside View, Rugeley, IDEAL

- TWO BEDROOMS
- SEMI DETACHED
- HIGH SPEC FINISH
- LOUNGE
- KITCHEN/DINER
- BATHROOM

Offers in the Region Of £132,000

Character

Firs Farm House,

- 5 BEDROOMS
- LOUNGE
- DINING ROOM
- SITTING ROOM
- KITCHEN
- FAMILY BATHROOM
- OFF ROAD PARKING
- CENTRAL HEATING

Offers in the Region Of £595,000

Angorfa Close, Lichfield

- Two Double Bedrooms
- DOUBLE GLAZED
- WITH GARAGE
- 26FT LOUNGE/DINER
- KITCHEN
- LARGE DUPLEX MAISONETTE
- COMMUNAL GARDENS
- LOCAL AMENITIES

Offers in the Region Of £149,995

Colling Drive, Lichfield

- FIVE BEDROOM DETACHED HOUSE
- OVERLOOKING CATHEDRAL WALK
- DOUBLE DETACHED GARAGE
- HALL, CLOAKROOM, LOUNGE
- BREAKFAST KITCHEN
- DINING ROOM, 5 BEDROOMS
- 2 EN-SUITES, FAMILY BATHROOM
- GARDENS, OFF ROAD PARKING

£450,000

SOLD
Subject to Contract

Bradley Lakes, Longdon,

- THREE BEDROOMS
- SEMI DETACHED
- OPEN COUNTRYSIDE TO REAR
- KITCHEN
- LOUNGE
- CONSERVATORY

£175,000

Blackberry Avenue, Lichfield

- TWO BEDROOMS
- FIRST FLOOR APARTMENT
- LOUNGE
- KITCHEN
- BATHROOM
- ENSUITE OF MASTER BEDROOM
- GAS CENTRAL HEATING
- DOUBLE GLAZING

Offers in Excess of £150,000

SOLD
Subject to Contract

Coachmans Walk, Colton,

- FOUR BEDROOM HOUSE
- DETACHED
- DOUBLE LENGTH GARAGE
- KITCHEN
- DINING ROOM
- LOUNGE
- EN SUITE IN MASTER BEDROOM
- LARGE REAR GARDEN

Offers in the Region Of £375,000

SOLD
Subject to Contract

Brewhouse Court, Wheel

- ONE BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR APARTMENT
- IDEAL INVESTMENT
- IDEAL FIRST PURCHASE
- HALL, LOUNGE
- MODERN KITCHEN
- DOUBLE GLAZING
- GAS CENTRAL HEATED
- ALLOCATED PARKING

£115,000

SOLD
Subject to Contract

Cherry Tree Road, Rugeley, This

- NO CHAIN
- in need of some modernisation
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Garage
- Gas Central Heating

Offers in the Region Of £152,500

SOLD
Subject to Contract

Shepherd Close, Lichfield

- SPLENDID THREE BEDROOM HOUSE
- IDEAL FIRST PURCHASE
- IDEAL RENTAL PROPERTY
- MODERN KITCHEN WITH GRANITE WORKTOPS
- HALL, LOUNGE, CLOAKROOM
- THREE BEDROOMS
- MODERN BATHROOM

£157,500

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Wimblebury New  Haymaker Way •Detached Family Home•Popular Location •2 Reception Rooms•Four Bedrooms, 2 Ensuites £275,000 EPC=C	Hednesford No Chain  Wenlock View •New Build•Detached Family House •Spacious Lounge/Dining Kitchen £270,000 EPC=B	Wimblebury SOLD S.T.C. Similar Properties Required  Meadowsweet Way •Detached Family Home•Sought After Location •Four Bedrooms•Large Kitchen/Diner £265,000 EPC=C	Hednesford No Chain  Hill Top •Executive Detached House•New Build •Living Room•Kitchen & Laundry £240,000 EPC=TBA	Cannock  Dartmouth Avenue •Traditional Detached House•Three Bedrooms •Lounge, Dining Room•Conservatory, Fitted Kitchen £254,999 EPC=D	Heath Hayes  Meadow Way •Modern Detached House•Sought After Location •Four/Five Bedrooms•Lounge, Dining Room £240,000 EPC=C	Cannock  Stoney Croft •Detached Bungalow•Sought After Area •Three Bedrooms•Well Room £240,000 EPC=D	Bloxwich New  Burslem Close •Detached Family Home•Popular Location •Four Bedrooms•Kitchen & Utility £240,000 EPC=D
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Cannock New  Pye Green Road •Semi Detached House•Lounge & Dining Room •Modern Kitchen•Guest WC £175,000 EPC=D	Hednesford New  Radnor Rise •Semi Detached•Three Bedrooms •Through Lounge/Diner•Driveway & Garage £169,995 EPC=TBA	Pelsall  Windrush Close •Semi Detached House•Lounge & Kitchen •Guest WC & Bathroom•Three Bedrooms £164,950 EPC=C	Cannock New  St Johns Road •Semi Detached House•Through Lounge/Diner •Kitchen•Guest WC £150,000 EPC=E	Hazelslade New SOLD S.T.C. Similar Properties Required  Danby Drive •Stunning Semi Detached•Three Bedrooms •Kitchen/Diner•Guest WC & Bathroom £150,000 EPC=D	Featherstone No Chain  Hilton Road •Semi Detached House•Large Corner Plot •Three Bedrooms•Driveway & Garage £145,000 EPC=D	Brownhills West New  Cherwell Drive •End Terraced House•Three Bedrooms •Guest WC & Conservatory•Lounge & Kitchen £140,000 EPC=B	Cannock  Newhall Street •Investment Property•Currently Let at £525 pcm •Two Bedrooms•Kitchen/Diner £139,995 EPC=E
Cannock New  Laburnum Close •Semi Detached House•Guest Cloakroom •Two Bedrooms•Driveway £135,000 EPC=TBA	Cannock  Hednesford Road •Extended Semi Detached•Lounge & Dining Room •Kitchen & Guest WC•Three Bedrooms & Bathroom £134,995 EPC=E	Cannock New  Laburnum Avenue •Semi Detached House•Spacious Lounge •Conservatory•Kitchen & Guest WC £134,995 EPC=D	Cannock SOLD S.T.C. Similar Properties Required  Elizabeth Road •Modern Semi Detached•Lounge/Diner •Modern Kitchen•Guest Cloakroom £133,500 EPC=B	Rugeley  Millmoor Avenue •Mid Terraced House•Well Presented •Lounge & Kitchen/Diner•Two Bedrooms £130,000 EPC=D	Prospect Village New SOLD S.T.C. Similar Properties Required  Longstaff Avenue •Semi Detached House•Lounge & Sitting Room •Kitchen & Guest WC•Three Bedrooms £130,000 EPC=F	Cannock New  Station Court •Terraced House•Lounge/Diner •Rear Garden & Parking•Two Bedrooms £128,950 EPC=B	Cannock  Newhall Street •Town Centre Location•Traditional Terraced •Lounge & Dining Room•Kitchen & Cellar £127,000 EPC=E
Cannock New Price  Patterdale Road •Mid Semi Detached•Lounge/Diner •Kitchen & Utility/Store Room•Conservatory £125,000 EPC=C	Cannock No Chain  Newhall Street •Traditional Semi Detached•Lounge & Dining Room •Kitchen•Two Bedrooms & Bathroom £120,000 EPC=E	Rawnsley New SOLD S.T.C. Similar Properties Required  Rawnsley Road •Terraced House•Two Receptions •Two Bedrooms•Kitchen & Bathroom £119,950 EPC=D	Wimblebury  Nelson Drive •Terraced House•Two Receptions •Modern Kitchen•Two Bedrooms £115,000 EPC=D	Cannock New  St Johns Road •Traditional Semi Detached•Lounge & Dining Room •Kitchen & Bathroom•Three Bedrooms £115,000 EPC=E	Cannock No Chain  Hednesford Road •Period Terraced House•Lounge & Dining Room •Kitchen & Veranda•Two Bedrooms & Bathroom £112,500 EPC=E	Cannock No Chain  Huntington Terrace Road •Semi Detached Bungalow•Lounge •Kitchen•Two Bedrooms £110,000 EPC=E	Cannock No Chain  Sankey Road •Investment Property•Currently Let at £525 pcm •Two Bedrooms•Kitchen/Diner £110,000 EPC=E
Cannock New  Bevan Lee Road •No Upward Chain•Semi Detached •Two Bedrooms•Large Rear Garden £110,000 EPC=E	Great Wyrley No Chain  Achilles Close •End Terraced House•Ideal First Time Purchase •Popular Location•Two Bedrooms £90,000 EPC=F	Cannock New  Stafford Road •Terraced House•Two Bedrooms •Two Receptions•Rear Garden £89,995 EPC=E	Hednesford  McGhie Street •First Floor Apartment•One Double Bedroom •Good Sized Lounge•Kitchen & Bathroom £85,000 EPC=D	Hednesford by Auction  Hill Street •Semi detached house•Three bedrooms •Lounge/diner•Shower room £85,000 EPC=E	Cannock by Auction  Cannock Road •End terraced house•two reception rooms •Kitchen•Two Bedrooms £70,000 EPC=E	Cannock New SOLD S.T.C. Similar Properties Required  Jubilee Drive •25% Shared Ownership•Modern Semi Detached •Lounge & Kitchen•Three Bedrooms £39,950 EPC=B	Cannock New  Rowan Croft •Over 53's First Floor Flat•20% Share •One Bedroom & Wet Room•Communal Lounge £11,000 EPC=TBA



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Heath Gap Road, Cannock

- Semi Detached
- 3 Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Conservatory

- Loft Conversion
- Large Rear Garden
- Garage
- EPC - TBC

£149,950



Stafford Street, Heath Hayes

- Detached Home
- 3 Bedrooms
- Immaculate Condition
- Fully Refurbished

- 2 Reception Rooms
- Accommodation Over 3 Floors
- No Upward Chain
- EPC - E

£175,000



Peblemill Close, Cannock

- PRICE REDUCED FOR QUICK SALE
- Detached Family Home
- 4 Bedrooms
- Dining Room

- Lounge
- Study
- Conservatory
- EPC - F

£190,000



Greig Court, Heath Hayes

- 1st Floor Apartment
- Double Bedroom
- Impressive Accommodation
- Parking
- Delightful Aspect
- EPC - C

£75,000



Charnley Road, Stafford

- Semi - Detached
- 3 Bedrooms
- Immaculate Home
- Large Living Space
- Conservatory
- EPC - D

£174,950



Watermint Close, Wimblebury

- Detached Family Home
- 4 Double Bedrooms
- Immaculately Presented
- Downstairs Cloakroom & Utility

- Conservatory
- Ensuite and Dressing Room
- Landscaped Garden
- EPC - D

£249,950



Meriden Close, Cannock

- Detached Bungalow
- 3 Good Size Bedrooms
- 2 Ensuite Shower Rooms
- Modern Kitchen / Diner
- No Chain Involved
- EPC - C

£295,000



Huntington Terrace Road, Cannock

- Semi - Detached Bungalow
- 2 Bedrooms
- Large Living Room
- Kitchen / Diner
- Large Rear Garden
- EPC - E

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The Heath, Heath Hayes

- Modern Apartment / Ground Floor
- 2 Bedrooms
- Balcony To The Rear
- Open Plan Lounge / Kitchen

- No Upward Chain
- Allocated Parking
- Ideal For First Time Buyers Or Investors
- EPC - B

£100,000



Robinson Mews, Chasetown

SHOW HOME OPENING SAT 20TH AUGUST

- 2 & 3 BEDROOM HOMES
- COME AND VISIT US BETWEEN 2pm & 4pm
- SEE THE QUALITY OF THE BUILD
- CHOICE OF CARPETS / FLOORING
- NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY
- VIEWING ESSENTIAL

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Rochester Way, Heath Hayes

- Detached Family Home
- 4 Double Bedrooms
- Ensuite & Bathroom
- Lounge & Dining Room

- Guest WC & Utility
- Conservatory
- Landscaped Rear Garden
- EPC - TBC

£250,000



Sankey Road, Cannock

- Semi - Detached
- 3 Bedrooms
- Lounge & Dining Kitchen
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
- IN NEED OF MODERNISATION
- EPC - E

£110,000



Patrick House, Moss Road, Cannock

- Ground Floor Flat
- 1 Bedroom
- Communal Rear Gardens
- Ideal Buy To Let Purchase
- Gas Central Heating
- EPC - C

£77,500



Hollyoak Way, Cannock

- 3 Story Town House
- 3 Double Bedrooms
- Versatile Accommodation
- Select Gated Community
- Close to Town Centre
- EPC - C

£169,950



Eccleshall Road, Stafford

- Detached New Build Executive Home
- 4 Bedrooms
- Finished To High Spec
- Stylish En-suite Shower Room
- Open Plan Kitchen / Dining Room
- EPC - C

£335,000



Strathmore Place, Cannock

- Exquisite Detached Bungalow
- 3 Double Bedrooms
- Stunning Dining Kitchen
- Comprehensively Improved
- Spacious Accommodation
- EPC - D

£300,000



Burgoyne Street Site, Hednesford

- An Exciting New Build Development
- All 3 Bedrooms
- Construction in Progress
- Both 2 & 3 Storey
- Terraced & Semi-Detached Homes
- Available NOW! - Off Plan
- from £149,950



Olde Hall Lane, Great Wyrley

- Detached Home
- 4 Good Size Bedrooms
- Large Conservatory
- Huge Conservatory
- Detached Double Garage
- EPC - C

Offers Over £325,000



Albren House, Weaton Aston

- Detached Family Home
- 4 Bedrooms
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Utility & Conservatory
- Breakfast Kitchen
- EPC - TBC

£300,000



Ullswater Place, Cannock

- Detached
- 5 Bedrooms
- IN NEED OF MODERNISATION
- Large Rear Garden
- Close To Cannock Town
- No Chain

£220,000



George Street, Hednesford

- Semi - Detached Bungalow
- 2 Bedrooms
- Backing Onto Playing Fields
- Recently Decorated
- Garage With Inspection Pit
- EPC - D

£169,995



Cannock Road, Hednesford

- Fully refurbished apartment
- Open plan kitchen & lounge
- Spacious lounge
- Double bedroom
- Gas central heating
- No off road parking
- £425pcm Sorry no dss and no pets



Casa Mia Court, Hednesford

- Modern apartment
- Fitted kitchen with some appliances
- Spacious living room
- Two double bedrooms
- Bathroom with shower over bath
- Economy 7 heating
- £525pcm Sorry no dss and no pets



Chase Suites, Cannock

- Electricity & Water included
- Studio style apartment
- Fully furnished
- Shower room
- No off road parking
- Available now.
- £550pcm Sorry no dss & no pets



1 Hill Street, Burntwood

- OPEN VIEWING SATURDAY 3.30-4.00pm
- Fitted Kitchen
- Guest WC
- Two Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Parking
- £650 pcm Sorry no dss and no pets



Hednesford Road, Norton Canes

- Detached family home
- Fitted kitchen with oven & hob
- Spacious lounge
- Three bedrooms
- Family bathroom
- Large driveway
- £695pcm Sorry no dss & no pets



Eaton Croft, Rugeley

- Modern detached family home
- Lounge / dining room
- Three bedrooms
- Family bathroom & en-suite
- Rear garage
- Available mid Aug 16
- £795pcm Sorry no dss and no pets

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Great Wyrley Office - £450,000



CHESLYN HAY, WALLACE COURT

- Impressive detached house
- Prime Cul-de-Sac location
- Three reception rooms
- Superb breakfast kitchen
- Utility room, guest WC
- Gardens, driveway, garage
- EPC rating to follow

Great Wyrley Office - £350,000



BLOXWICH, WESTHALL GATE

- Spacious three storey home
- Superb Cul-de-Sac location
- 3 receptions, kitchen, guest WC
- Master bedroom with ensuite
- Entertainment room, utility
- Gardens, driveway, garage
- EPC rating C

Great Wyrley Office - £350,000



GREAT WYRLEY, NORTON LANE

- Extended detached bungalow
- Immaculately presented interiors
- Open plan family room / kitchen
- Large conservatory
- Gardens, driveway, garage
- No upward chain
- EPC rating E

Burntwood Office - £290,000



LICHFIELD, LEOMANSLEY ROAD

- Spacious family home
- Close to Lichfield city centre
- Open plan living space
- Conservatory
- Ample parking
- Sought after location
- EPC rating D

Great Wyrley Office - £255,000



GREAT WYRLEY, JULIAN CLOSE

- Fabulous detached residence
- Sought after village location
- Immaculately presented interiors
- Light & spacious lounge
- Superb kitchen / diner
- Gardens, driveway, garage
- EPC rating E

Great Wyrley Office - £255,000



GREAT WYRLEY, JOHNS LANE

- Spacious detached bungalow
- Fully refurbished interiors
- Two reception rooms
- Superb fitted kitchen
- Gardens, driveway parking
- No upward chain
- EPC rating D

Burntwood Office - £220,000



HAMMERWICH, OVERTON LANE

- Cottage style home
- Spacious open plan kitchen/diner
- Ample off road parking
- Mature private rear garden
- Countryside views to the rear
- Sought after village location
- EPC rating C

Burntwood Office - £220,000



BURNTWOOD, HIGHFIELDS ROAD

- Spacious detached bungalow
- Immaculately presented throughout
- Kitchen diner
- Lounge
- Two good size bedrooms
- Utility room
- Private mature rear garden
- Ample off road parking
- EPC rating to follow

Great Wyrley Office - £200,000



CHURCHBRIDGE, LOCKSIDE

- Modern semi-detached house
- Popular & convenient location
- Immaculately presented interiors
- Spacious lounge, guest WC
- Superb kitchen / diner
- Gardens, driveway parking
- EPC rating B

Great Wyrley Office - £189,950



CHESLYN HAY, GRASSMERE COURT

- Detached family home
- Superb Cul-de-Sac location
- Through lounge / diner
- Lovely gardens
- Driveway parking
- Detached garage
- EPC rating to follow

Burntwood Office - £180,000



BURNTWOOD, KINGSDOWN ROAD

- Extended family home
- Conservatory
- Extended kitchen
- Refitted bathroom
- Mature rear garden
- Ample off road parking
- EPC Rating D

Great Wyrley Office - £175,000



GREAT WYRLEY, BROOKLANDS AVENUE

- Superb semi-detached house
- Popular village location
- Extended accommodation
- Through lounge / diner
- Breakfast kitchen
- Gardens, driveway, garage
- EPC rating to follow

Burntwood Office - Offers Over £170,000



NORTON CANES, BEAUMONT WAY

- Three bedroom semi detached
- Spacious lounge/Diner
- Conservatory
- Private rear garden
- Utility room (converted garage)
- Cul de sac location
- EPC rating D

Burntwood Office - £170,000



BURNTWOOD, ROCHESTER AVENUE

- Extended semi detached
- Spacious lounge / diner
- Extended dining kitchen
- Refitted bathroom
- Private rear garden
- Ample off road parking
- EPC rating C

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BURNTWOOD, WATER STREET

- Superb semi-detached house
- Well presented interiors
- Good sized lounge
- Open plan kitchen / diner
- Off road parking
- External workshop
- EPC rating D

Great Wyrley Office - £164,950



CHESLYN HAY, HIGH STREET

- Superb period semi
- No upward chain
- Lounge, kitchen
- Dining room / G/F bedroom
- Ground floor bathroom
- Off-road parking
- EPC rating E

Great Wyrley Office - £159,950



ESSINGTON, LONG LANE

- Extended end-terrace
- Superb location
- Lounge, conservatory
- Open-plan kitchen / diner
- Utility, guest WC
- Detached garage
- EPC rating E

Burntwood Office - £150,000



CANNOCK, COMMON LANE

- Three bedroom semi detached
- Newly built
- Ample off road parking
- Close to town centre
- Fitted kitchen
- Spacious lounge/diner
- EPC rating to follow

Great Wyrley Office - £149,950



GREAT WYRLEY, TOWER VIEW ROAD

- Semi detached bungalow
- Prime village location
- Spacious lounge
- Larger than average kitchen
- Gardens, driveway
- No chain
- EPC rating to follow

Great Wyrley Office - £144,950



GREAT WYRLEY, FAIR OAKS DRIVE

- Well presented semi
- Popular village location
- Spacious lounge, kitchen
- Superb conservatory
- Low maintenance garden
- Driveway to front & rear
- EPC rating E

Great Wyrley Office - £78,000



GREAT WYRLEY, PENNY COURT

- Spacious first floor apartment
- Popular village location
- Suit first time buyer / investor
- Lounge / diner, breakfast kitchen
- Communal grounds and parking
- No upward chain
- EPC rating D

Burntwood Office - £50,000



HEATH HAYES, HEATH WAY

- 50% shared ownership
- First floor apartment
- Open plan living
- Cul-de-Sac Location
- Parking facilities
- Gas central heating
- EPC Rating C

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- ◆ Landing
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- ◆ En-Suite Bathroom
- ◆ Family Bathroom
- ◆ Integral Garage
- ◆ Well Stocked Mature Gardens
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- ◆ EPC Rating TBC

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- ◆ Sitting room/study
- ◆ Fitted breakfast kitchen
- ◆ Four double bedrooms
- ◆ Ensuite and bathroom
- ◆ Two garages
- ◆ Well stocked private gardens
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ EPC rating D (64)

£379,000 FREEHOLD

51 CHAPEL STREET, HEATH HAYES



DETACHED BUNGALOW OFFERING TWO BEDROOMED ACCOMMODATION Located In Popular Position Convenient For Facilities at Heath Hayes Village Centre

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Breakfast kitchen
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Gardens
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Intruder alarm
- ◆ EPC rating tbc

£174,950 FREEHOLD

16 LISSIMORE DRIVE, TIPTON



TWO BEDROOMED GROUND FLOOR APARTMENT Located In This Popular Residential Area Convenient For Facilities

- ◆ Entrance lobby and reception hall
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Fitted kitchen
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Allocated parking in secure parking area
- ◆ Communal grounds
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ EPC rating C (74)

£80,000

NEW TACK FARM COTTAGE, WALSALL ROAD, GREAT WYRLEY



CONSIDERABLY EXTENDED AND IMPROVED DETACHED COTTAGE OFFERING SPACIOUS FLEXIBLE 4/5 BEDROOMS ACCOMMODATION With Extensive Range of Outbuildings Which Have Been Used As Dog Kennels with Grounds To Both Sides of A34

- ◆ Sitting room and lounge
- ◆ Breakfast kitchen
- ◆ Bathrooms
- ◆ 4/5 bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted shower room
- ◆ Range of outbuildings previously used as kennels
- ◆ Extensive accommodation land
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ EPC rating tbc

£295,000 FREEHOLD

47 SANDY LANE, CANNOCK



IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED HOUSE Located In Much Sought After Residential Area Close To The Shoal Hill District Of Cannock Chase And Overlooking Greenbelt Farmland To The Front

- ◆ Lounge/dining area
- ◆ Double glazed conservatory
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Lobby and shower room with WC
- ◆ Four bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted bathroom
- ◆ Integral garage (limited length)
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating E (47)

£249,950 FREEHOLD



59 LOW STREET, CHESLYN HAY



IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Located In Popular Position In This Much Sought After South Staffordshire Village

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Breakfast kitchen
- ◆ Conservatory, toilet, store & utility
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted shower room
- ◆ Built-on garage
- ◆ Well stocked gardens
- ◆ Part gas fired central heating
- ◆ Predominantly double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating C (70)

£174,950 FREEHOLD

HOLLY LODGE, 10 KENDERDINE CLOSE, BEDNALL



DETACHED FOUR BEDROOMED FAMILY HOUSE Located In Popular Cul-De-Sac In this Much Sought After Staffordshire Village

- ◆ Central reception hall
- ◆ Three reception rooms
- ◆ Breakfast kitchen and utility
- ◆ Central galleried landing
- ◆ Four double bedrooms
- ◆ Family bathroom and en-suite shower room
- ◆ Detached double width garage
- ◆ Private gardens
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ EPC rating D (55)

£439,950 FREEHOLD

113 LYNTON AVENUE, WOLVERHAMPTON



THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Occupying Prominent Corner Plot Gardens with Potential For Extension to Living Accommodation

- ◆ Reception hall
- ◆ Sitting room and living room
- ◆ Kitchen and verandah
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Detached garage (to rear)
- ◆ Corner plot gardens
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Predominantly double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating E (50)

£146,950 FREEHOLD

11A QUEEN STREET, HIGHTOWN, HEDNESFORD



WELL EQUIPPED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE Located In Very Convenient Popular Position Close To Facilities and Railway Station at Hednesford Town Centre

- ◆ Reception hall and cloakroom with WC
- ◆ Double glazed conservatory
- ◆ Refitted breakfast kitchen and utility room
- ◆ Four bedrooms
- ◆ Ensuite shower room and refitted bathroom
- ◆ Lounge and dining room
- ◆ Integral garage and well stocked gardens
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ EPC rating D (68)

£249,950 FREEHOLD

3 CHARLEMONT CLOSE, HEDNESFORD



RECENTLY REFURBISHED THREE BEDROOM MID TERRACE HOUSE Located In Popular Residential Area

- ◆ Enclosed porch
- ◆ Dining area
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Garage in court
- ◆ EPC rating D (66)

£129,950 FREEHOLD

FLAT 9 DRAKEFORD COURT, WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, STAFFORD



WELL APPOINTED ONE BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR APARTMENT Located In Prominent Position Convenient For Stafford City Centre

- ◆ Communal lounge
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Bedroom
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Electric heating
- ◆ Double glazed
- ◆ Allocated parking
- ◆ For persons aged 55 and over
- ◆ EPC rating: B (82)

£110,000

OLD MANOR FARM, 68 NORTON LANE, GREAT WYRLEY



CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED EXTENDED AND WELL EQUIPPED CHARACTERFUL 4/5 BEDROOMED DETACHED COTTAGE Located In A Popular Residential Area Of The Village With Well Stocked South Facing Gardens Extending To Approximately 1/3 Of an Acre

- ◆ 3 reception rooms
- ◆ Sitting room/ bedroom 5
- ◆ cloakroom with WC
- ◆ Conservatory
- ◆ Refitted kitchen and breakfast room
- ◆ Four bedrooms
- ◆ En-suite shower room and family bathroom
- ◆ Off road parking
- ◆ Gas centrally heated and predominantly double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating E (49)

£429,950 FREEHOLD

86 EDWARD STREET, BROOMHILL, CANNOCK



IMPROVED TWO BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Occupying Larger Garden In Popular Position Convenient For Facilities at Cannock and Hednesford Centres

- ◆ Two reception rooms
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Double glazed conservatory/ utility
- ◆ Two double bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Larger gardens
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating C (69)

£145,000 FREEHOLD



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40 OLD PENKRIDGE ROAD, CANNOCK



CONSIDERABLY EXTENDED AND IMPROVED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE WITH FLEXIBLE ACCOMMODATION INCLUDING SELF CONTAINED FLAT SUITABLE FOR EXTENDED FAMILY OCCUPYING MATURE WELL STOCKED GARDENS EXTENDING TO 0.4 OF AN ACRE LOCATED IN MUCH SOUGHT AFTER RESIDENTIAL AREA OF THE TOWN ADJOINING CANNOCK PARK TO THE REAR

- ◆ Canopy Porch
- ◆ Reception Hall
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Dining Room
- ◆ Breakfast Kitchen
- ◆ Inner Hall
- ◆ Utility Room
- ◆ Cloakroom with WC
- ◆ Play/Hobby/Games Room
- ◆ Central Landing
- ◆ Five Bedrooms
- ◆ Ensuite Shower Room
- ◆ Family Bathroom
- ◆ Integral Double Width Garage
- ◆ Extensive Mature Landscaped Gardens
- ◆ Inspection Essential
- ◆ Self Contained Flat Incorporating: Landing, Lounge/Kitchen Area, Bedroom, Shower Room, Gas Fired Central Heating, Fully Double Glazed, Intruder Alarm

PRICE £630,000 : FREEHOLD

186 OLD FALLOW ROAD, CANNOCK



IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOMED INTERWAR SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Conveniently Located For Facilities At Cannock Town Centre

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Dining room
- ◆ Refitted kitchen
- ◆ Rear store, porch and toilet
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted bathroom
- ◆ Garage space and gardens
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating D (56)

£146,950 FREEHOLD

13 WILTON CLOSE, CANNOCK



MODERN MID MEWS TWO BEDROOMED HOUSE
OFFERING WELL EQUIPPED ACCOMMODATION
Conveniently Located For Access To Facilities

- ◆ Cloakroom with WC
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Fitted kitchen
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Off road parking space
- ◆ Gardens
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ EPC rating C (80)

£132,450 FREEHOLD

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7 POPLAR LANE, CANNOCK



INDIVIDUALLY DESIGNED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE Located in Much Sought After Residential Area Of The Town Convenient For local Facilities and Easy Access For Commuting

- ◆ Impressive central reception hall
- ◆ Two reception rooms
- ◆ Refitted breakfast kitchen
- ◆ Four double bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted bathroom
- ◆ Well stocked gardens
- ◆ Garage and carport
- ◆ All windows double glazed
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ EPC rating D (67)

£375,000 FREEHOLD

FLAT 23 ROWAN CLOSE, HUNTINGTON.



EXTREMELY WELL APPOINTED TWO BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR APARTMENT
Located in Popular Residential Area

- ◆ Reception hall
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Dining kitchen
- ◆ Two double bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Allocated parking space
- ◆ Inspection highly recommended
- ◆ EPC rating B (81)

£119,950

NANT Y DERW, TREGYNON, POWYS



WELL APPOINTED SPACIOUS FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY RESIDENCE OFFERING ECO FRIENDLY CONTEMPORARY STYLE ACCOMMODATION Located in Popular Village Midway Between Welshpool and Newtown

- ◆ 3 reception rooms
- ◆ Fitted kitchen
- ◆ Utility room and cloakroom
- ◆ Four double bedrooms
- ◆ Ensuite shower room and family bathroom
- ◆ Garage
- ◆ Well stocked gardens with stream
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating C (71)

£275,000 FREEHOLD

18 TUDOR WAY, CHESLYN HAY



NO CHAIN

CONSIDERABLY EXTENDED WELL EQUIPPED FAMILY RESIDENCE Located in Much Sought After Cul-De-Sac

- ◆ Lounge & family room
- ◆ Dining room & games room
- ◆ Dining kitchen & utility room
- ◆ Cloakroom with wc
- ◆ Five bedrooms
- ◆ Three en-suite shower rooms
- ◆ Family bathroom
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating: D (62)

£425,000 FREEHOLD

13 SHELLEY ROAD, CANNOCK



CONSIDERABLY EXTENDED AND IMPROVED END MEWS BUNGALOW
Offering Well Equipped Accommodation Convenient For Facilities Locally

- ◆ Side entrance hall
- ◆ Extended lounge/dining room
- ◆ Refitted kitchen area
- ◆ Bedroom
- ◆ Refitted bathroom
- ◆ Well stocked gardens
- ◆ Off road parking
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating D (66)

£124,950 FREEHOLD

CHETWYND, COLEY LANE, LITTLE HAYWOOD



CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED INDIVIDUALLY DESIGNED DETACHED FAMILY RESIDENCE OFFERING FOUR DOUBLE BEDROOMS OCCUPYING WELL STOCKED PRIVATE GARDENS Located On The Edge of This Popular Staffordshire Village

- ◆ Central reception hall
- ◆ L shaped lounge/ dining area
- ◆ Refitted breakfast kitchen
- ◆ Study
- ◆ Four double bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted shower room with two bathrooms
- ◆ Detached double width garage,
- ◆ Workshop and store over
- ◆ Predominantly double glazed
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ EPC rating E (52)

£500,000 FREEHOLD

GANLLWYD COTTAGE, PARKSIDE LANE, HATHERTON



IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED DETACHED COTTAGE REPUTESLY DATING FROM THE LATE 18TH CENTURY AND CONSIDERABLY EXTENDED IN THE 1970'S Occupying Well Stocked Grounds Extending to Approx 0.2 Of An Acre Located in Much Sought After Rural Greenbelt Position Close to Cannock Chase

- ◆ Lounge and dining room
- ◆ Fitted dining kitchen
- ◆ Utility Room & cloakroom with WC
- ◆ Three double bedrooms
- ◆ Family bathroom and ensuite shower room
- ◆ Detached double width garage
- ◆ Extensive off road parking & well stocked gardens
- ◆ Oil fired central heating
- ◆ Predominantly double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating F (37)

£399,950 FREEHOLD

FLAT 27 THE HEATH, CANNOCK ROAD, HEATH HAYES



GROUND FLOOR TWO BEDROOMED APARTMENT
Located in Popular Development Convenient For Facilities At Heath Hayes Centre

- ◆ Reception Hall
- ◆ Lounge with fitted kitchen area
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Communal grounds
- ◆ Allocated parking area
- ◆ Electric heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Security phone system
- ◆ EPC rating C (78)

£116,950

THE BARN, MORETON GRANGE, BISHTON LANE, WOLSELEY BRIDGE, STAFFORD



COMPREHENSIVELY RENOVATED WELL EQUIPPED DETACHED FIVE BEDROOMED BARN CONVERSION
Occupying Private Well Stocked Gardens With Stables and Paddock Extending To Approximately 1 Acre

- ◆ Lounge and dining room
- ◆ Study/sitting area
- ◆ Farmhouse dining kitchen
- ◆ Five bedrooms
- ◆ Two en-suites and family bathroom
- ◆ Detached double width garage
- ◆ Well stocked gardens and paddock
- ◆ Oil fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating E (50)

£635,000 FREEHOLD



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12 PRICE STREET, CANNOCK
REFURBISHED TWO BEDROOM TERRACED HOUSE
Convenient For Town Centre and Train Station
◆ Lounge ◆ Double glazed
◆ Dining room ◆ Garden
◆ Refitted kitchen ◆ Sorry no pets,
◆ Refitted bathroom smokers or DSS
◆ Gas central heating
◆ EPC rating: D (63)
£525 pcm



72 PEBBLE MILL DRIVE, CANNOCK
WELL PRESENTED FOUR BEDROOM HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area
◆ Lounge ◆ Fully double glazed
◆ Kitchen ◆ Detached Garage
◆ Dining room ◆ Sorry no DSS, pets
◆ Four bedrooms or smokers
◆ Bathroom
◆ Gas central heating £850 pcm
◆ EPC rating: D (58)



16 CHALFONT AVENUE, CANNOCK
THREE BEDROOM MID TERRACE HOUSE
◆ Located In Popular Residential Area
◆ Lounge ◆ Integral garage
◆ Kitchen ◆ Gardens
◆ Three bedrooms ◆ Sorry no pets,
◆ Bathroom smokers or DSS
◆ Gas central heating
◆ Fully double glazed £625 pcm
◆ EPC rating: C (73)



200D BLOXWICH ROAD, WALSALL
SPACIOUS TWO BEDROOMED GROUND FLOOR FLAT
Within Easy Access Of Walsall Town Centre
◆ Reception hall ◆ Fully double glazed
◆ Lounge ◆ Off road parking
◆ Kitchen ◆ Sorry no pets,
◆ Two bedrooms smokers or DSS
◆ Bathroom
◆ Gas central heating (71)
◆ EPC rating: C
£500 pcm



37 KINGSLAND CLOSE, STONE
TWO BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area With Views Over Open Farm Land To Rear
◆ Entrance lobby ◆ Gas central heating
◆ Lounge ◆ Garage
◆ Kitchen ◆ Sorry no pets,
◆ Two bedrooms smokers or DSS
◆ Bathroom
◆ Fully double glazed (68)
◆ EPC rating: D
£600 pcm



23 LOVE LANE PARK HOMES, LOVE LANE, RUGELEY
SPACIOUS ONE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW
Convenient For Facilities Locally
◆ Lounge ◆ Parking Space
◆ Kitchen ◆ Gardens
◆ Double ◆ Sorry no pets,
◆ bedroom DSS or smokers
◆ Bathroom ◆ For persons aged 50 and over
◆ Fully double glazed & LPG central heating (43)
◆ EPC rating: E
£450 pcm



197A CANNOCK ROAD, CHADSMOOR
REFURBISHED TWO BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT
◆ Entrance lobby ◆ Electric heating
◆ Hall ◆ Off road parking
◆ Lounge/kitchen ◆ Sorry no pets,
◆ Two bedrooms smokers or DSS
◆ Refitted shower room
◆ Double glazed (45)
◆ EPC rating: E
£440 pcm



20 PRINCESS STREET, CHADSMOOR
THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
◆ Lounge/dining room ◆ Gas central heating
◆ Dining kitchen ◆ Gardens
◆ Shower room ◆ DSS considered
◆ Three bedrooms ◆ Sorry no pets or
◆ Fully double glazed
◆ EPC rating: E
£525 pcm



FLAT 2 PILLATON HOUSE, CROWNBRIDGE COURT, PENKRIDGE
WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOM GROUND FLOOR APARTMENT
Located Within The Luxurious Crownbridge Court Development
Conveniently Situated For Facilities Within The Village Centre
◆ Lounge ◆ Gas central heating
◆ Kitchen ◆ Security phone system
◆ Two bedrooms ◆ Sorry no pets,
◆ room ◆ smokers or DSS
◆ Bathroom ◆ Fully double glazed
◆ EPC rating: C
£540 pcm



1 ARNOTDALE DRIVE, HEDNESFORD
TWO DOUBLE BEDROOMED DETACHED BUNGALOW
Located In Popular Residential Area
◆ Lounge ◆ Gardens
◆ Refitted kitchen ◆ Detached garage
◆ Two double bedrooms ◆ Sorry no pets, DSS
◆ Bathroom or smokers
◆ Gas central heating
◆ Predominantly double glazed
◆ EPC rating: D (68)
£650 pcm



17 LOVE LANE PARK HOMES, LOVE LANE, RUGELEY
SPACIOUS WELL EQUIPPED ONE BEDROOM PARK HOME
Located On A Well Maintained Site Convenient For Local Facilities
◆ Kitchen ◆ Timber decked terrace & garden
◆ Lounge ◆ Allocated parking
◆ Bedroom ◆ Sorry no pets,
◆ Bathroom ◆ smokers or DSS
◆ Fully double glazed
◆ No persons under the age of 50
◆ LPG central heating
◆ EPC rating: D
£450 pcm



11 BEECH TREE COURT, BEECH TREE LANE, CANNOCK
TWO BEDROOM SECOND FLOOR FLAT
Conveniently Located For Local Facilities
◆ Reception hall ◆ Allocated parking
◆ Open plan lounge/kitchen ◆ Secure entry system
◆ Two bedrooms ◆ Sorry no pets,
◆ Bathroom smokers or DSS
◆ Double glazed
◆ Gas central heating
◆ EPC rating: C
£495 pcm



8 WINDSOR ROAD, CHESLYN HAY
NEWLY REFURBISHED THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area
◆ L-shaped lounge/ dining room ◆ Gas central heating
◆ Refitted kitchen ◆ Off road parking
◆ Study/play room ◆ Sorry no DSS, pets
◆ Three bedrooms or smokers
◆ Refitted bathroom
◆ Fully double glazed
◆ EPC rating: C (69)
£660 pcm



2 THE CROSSINGS, MILL STREET, CANNOCK
NEWLY CONSTRUCTED TWO BEDROOM MID MEWS HOUSE
Excellent Location For Train Station And Facilities At The Town Centre
◆ Cloakroom with W.C. ◆ Parking to rear
◆ Lounge ◆ Gas central heating
◆ Fitted kitchen ◆ Fully double glazed
◆ Two double bedrooms ◆ Sorry no pets,
◆ Bathroom smokers or DSS
◆ EPC rating: B (83)
£625 pcm



9 HATHERSTON ROAD, CANNOCK
ATTRACTIVE THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Sought After Residential Area Convenient For Facilities At The Town Centre
◆ Lounge ◆ Three bedrooms
◆ Dining room ◆ Gas central heating
◆ Refitted kitchen ◆ Off road parking
◆ Refitted bathroom (no dropped kerb)
◆ Brick built garden stone/possible office
◆ Refitted bathroom
◆ EPC rating: E (43)
£625 pcm

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CANNOCK JAMES STREET



NEW
◆ A refurbished two bedroom house
◆ Gas central heating and double glazing
◆ Lounge, refitted family kitchen
◆ Utility, veranda
◆ Two good sized bedrooms
◆ Refitted modern bathroom
◆ Rear garden, driveway
◆ Ideal first time buy, awaiting EPC rating
£124,950

CANNOCK CEMETERY ROAD



NEW
◆ A spacious three bedroom property
◆ Gas central heating and double glazing
◆ Lounge
◆ Kitchen/diner
◆ Bathroom
◆ Three bedrooms
◆ Good sized rear garden
◆ Ideal first time buy
◆ EPC rating D
£115,000

HEDNESFORD STEPHENSON WAY



NEW
◆ A modern two bedroom apartment
◆ Gas central heating and double glazing
◆ Lounge, Kitchen
◆ Two good sized bedrooms
◆ Bathroom
◆ Allocated parking
◆ Ideal first time buy
◆ Ideal investment
◆ Awaiting EPC rating
£98,000

WIMBLEBURY JOHN STREET



NEW PRICE
◆ A three bedroom property
◆ Gas central heating and double glazing
◆ Kitchen/diner
◆ Lounge with fireplace
◆ Three bedrooms
◆ Family bathroom
◆ Garden to front and rear
◆ Garage
◆ Open views to front, awaiting EPC rating
£109,950

HEDNESFORD WHITETHORNE CLOSE



◆ A three bedroom semi detached house
◆ Gas central heating and double glazing
◆ Lounge/diner, kitchen
◆ Conservatory, guest cloakroom
◆ Garage room (currently used as bedroom)
◆ Bathroom
◆ Enclosed rear garden
◆ Driveway
◆ Awaiting EPC Rating
£169,950

CANNOCK HUNTINGTON TERRACE ROAD



◆ A traditional two bedroom house
◆ Gas central heating and double glazing
◆ Lounge, dining room
◆ Kitchen, bathroom
◆ Two bedrooms
◆ Garden to rear
◆ Off road Parking
◆ Awaiting EPC Rating
£99,950

HEDNESFORD HILL STREET



◆ A three bedroom detached bungalow
◆ Gas central heating and double glazing
◆ Lounge, Kitchen
◆ Conservatory
◆ Three good sized bedrooms
◆ Enclosed rear garden
◆ Driveway
◆ EPC Rating E
£149,950

HEDNESFORD BROADHURST GREEN



◆ A three bedroom semi detached house
◆ Gas central heating and double glazing
◆ Lounge
◆ Kitchen/diner
◆ Three bedrooms
◆ Family bathroom
◆ Driveway
◆ Awaiting EPC Rating
£109,950

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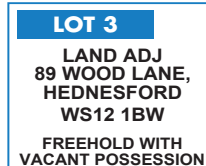
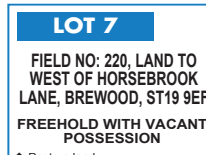


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Auction****Monday 12th September 2016****7pm Prompt at****THE PREMIER SUITE, BAR SPORT****1st Floor The Danilo, High Green,
Cannock****VIEWING ARRANGEMENTS****CONTACT AGENTS FOR
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SCHEDULE****Tel: 01543 505454****www.bootandson.co.uk****LOT 1**
**204 CANNOCK ROAD, CHADSMOOR,
CANNOCK WS11 5BZ**
**FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION**
◆ End terraced house
◆ Brick, render and slate construction
◆ Requiring improvement
◆ Two Bedrooms
◆ Conveniently located for facilities at
Chads Moor town centre
◆ Adjacent to public car park
◆ Gas fired central heating (not tested)
◆ EPC rating D (56)
GUIDE PRICE £47,500**LOT 2**
**181 WIMBLEBURY ROAD,
HEATH HAYES WS12 2EW**
**FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION**
◆ Larger than average end terraced house
◆ Three bedrooms
◆ Brick, render and slate construction
◆ Open views to front
◆ Requiring general improvement
◆ Partial gas fired central heating (not
tested)
◆ Predominantly double glazed
◆ EPC rating E (44)
GUIDE PRICE £70,000+**LOT 3**
**LAND ADJ
89 WOOD LANE,
HEDNESFORD
WS12 1BW**
**FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION**
◆ Good sized building plot
◆ Situated in an exceptionally popular
residential area
◆ Convenient for amenities at Hednesford
town centre
◆ Outline planning permission was granted
by Cannock Chase District Council under
Application No: CH/14/0134 for the erection
of one new dwelling on 29th July 2015
GUIDE PRICE £85,000+**LOT 4**
**3 CHURCH
VIEW,
RUGELEY,
WS15 1DZ**
**FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION**
◆ Mid terraced house
◆ Two bedrooms
◆ Gas central heating (not tested)
◆ Predominantly double glazed
◆ EPC rating D (68)
GUIDE PRICE £60,000 - £80,000**LOT 5**
**20 ORCHARD ROAD,
WILLENHALL, WV13 2EP**
**FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION**
◆ Factory/warehouse premises
◆ Possibly suitable for residential/
commercial redevelopment (subject
to planning permission)
◆ Predominantly residential area
◆ Convenient for Willenhall town
centre
GUIDE PRICE £35,000+**LOT 6**
**29 RED LION CRESCENT,
NORTON CANES, WS11 9QS**
**FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION**
◆ Semi detached house
◆ In popular residential area
◆ In need of some improvement
◆ Ideal buy to let
◆ Partial solid fuel central heating
(not tested)
◆ Some double glazing
◆ EPC rating tbc
GUIDE PRICE £50,000+**LOT 7**
**FIELD NO: 220, LAND TO
WEST OF HORSEBROOK
LANE, BREWOOD, ST19 9EF**
**FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION**
◆ Pasture land
◆ Extending to approx 2.4 acres
(0.97Ha) or thereabouts
◆ Road frontage and gated access to
Horsebrook Lane
◆ Mains water connected (Not
tested)
GUIDE PRICE £30,000 - £50,000**LOT 8**
**39 TOWER
VIEW ROAD,
GREAT
WYRLEY,
WS6 6HF**
**LEASEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION**
◆ Ground floor flat
◆ Two bedrooms
◆ Electric heating
◆ Fully double glazed
◆ Recently recarpeted and redecorated
◆ EPC rating D (63)
GUIDE PRICE £50,000-£70,000**LOT 9**
**399 CANNOCK ROAD,
HEDNESFORD, WS12 4AE**
**FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION**
◆ Inner terraced house
◆ Brick and tile construction
◆ Requiring comprehensive
refurbishment and modernisation
◆ Two bedrooms
◆ EPC rating tbc
GUIDE PRICE £45,000+**LOT 10**
**7 DUNDALK
LANE,
CHESLYN
HAY, WS6
7BB**
**FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION**
◆ Semi detached bungalow
◆ Two bedrooms
◆ Part double glazing
◆ Detached garage
◆ In need of improvement
◆ EPC rating tbc
GUIDE PRICE £100,000**LOT 11**
**1 HOLLYOAK
WAY,
CANNOCK,
WS11 1DF**
**LEASEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION**
◆ Well equipped ground floor apartment
◆ Two bedrooms
◆ Constructed 2002
◆ Located in much sought after cul-de-sac
◆ Conveniently located for Cannock Town Centre
◆ EPC rating D (61)
GUIDE PRICE £90,000+



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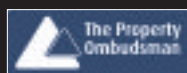
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CHESLYN HAY
BERWYN GROVE






- Detached Bungalow
- Through Hall
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Bathroom
- Annex
- Double Garage
- Driveway
- Gardens

\$259,950

NEW

CANNOCK
BARNWOOD CLOSE






- Dormer Bungalow
- Entrance Hall
- Generous Lounge
- Refitted Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Bathroom, 4 Bedrooms
- Shower Room
- Landscaped Garden
- Block Paved Driveway

\$269,950

HEDNESFORD
CHETWYND PARK






- Detached Family Home
- Close to Cannock Chase
- Porch, Hallway
- 3 Reception Rooms
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Bed 1 with en-suite
- 5 Bedrooms
- Double Garage

\$349,950

NEW

CANNOCK
EARLSWOOD WAY






- Outstanding Family Home
- Entrance Hallway
- Lounge/diner, Guests WC
- Kitchen/diner
- Utility Room,
- 5 Bedrooms
- Bathroom, Shower room
- En-suite
- Gardens, Double Garage

\$285,000

WIMBLEBURY
FREMANTLE DRIVE






- Detached House
- Through Hallway
- Stunning Kitchen
- Lounge
- Three Bedrooms
- En-Suite, Bathroom
- Rear Garden
- Integral Garage

209,950

WEDGES MILLS
THE MEADOWS






- Outstanding Detached
- Through Hallway
- Guest WC, Lounge
- Dining Room
- Conservatory
- Family Dining Kitchen
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- Private driveway, Open field views

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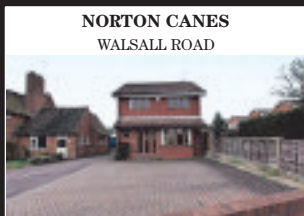
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CANNOCK ROAD



- Fully Refurbished
- NO CHAIN
- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Refitted Kitchen
- 2 Double Bedrooms
- Refitted Bathroom
- Parking

£119,950

NORTON CANES
WALSALL ROAD



- Deceptively Spacious
- Porch, Hallway
- Guests W.C
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen
- 3 Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Detached Garage

£170,000

GREAT WYRLEY
WARDLES LANE



- Extended Semi Detached
- Hall, Lounge
- Dining Room
- Extended Kitchen
- 3 Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Garage, Gardens

£154,950

BURNTWOOD
HOLLY GROVE LANE



- Spacious Extended Bungalow
- Hall, Kitchen
- Lounge/Dining Room
- 2 Bedrooms
- Refitted Bathroom
- Driveway, Garage
- Private Garden

£184,950

HUNTINGTON
ROWAN CLOSE



- Detached Family Home
- Through Hallway
- Guest W.C, Lounge
- Conservatory
- Impressive Kitchen/Diner
- 4 Bedrooms

£225,000

HEATH HAYES
CHAPLAIN ROAD



- Individual Self Build
- Through Hallway
- Guest WC, Kitchen/Diner
- Dining Room, Lounge
- Conservatory, Garage
- 3 Generous

£250,000

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En Suite Family Bathroom Double Glazing Parking EPC Rating B

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WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD



Unfurnished Semi Detached House Lounge Dining Room Kitchen 3 Bedrooms

2 Bathrooms GCH & DH Rear Garden EPC Rating D

£625 pcm & FEES - NO DSS

NORTON CANES
SCHOOL ROAD



Unfurnished Detached Bungalow Lounge Kitchen 2 Bedrooms

Bathroom Gas Central Heating Double Glazing Parking EPC Rating C

£625 pcm & FEES - NO DSS

WIMBLEBURY
WIMBLEBURY ROAD



Unfurnished Town House Lounge Kitchen 2 Bedrooms

Guest WC GCH & DG Garden Parking EPC Rating C

£575 pcm & FEES - NO DSS

HEDNESFORD
GREENWOOD PARK



Unfurnished Semi Detached House Lounge Kitchen 3 Bedrooms

Bathroom GCH & DG Parking Garden EPC Rating D

£550 pcm & FEES - NO DSS

HEATH HAYES
HELIGAN PLACE



Unfurnished Town House Lounge Kitchen 2 Bedrooms

Gas Central Heating Double Glazing Rear Garden Parking EPC Rating C

£525 pcm & FEES - NO DSS

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BEECH TREE COURT




Unfurnished Ground Floor Flat Lounge Kitchen 2 Bedrooms

GCH & DG Protected Access Parking EPC Rating C

£525 pcm & FEES - NO DSS

GREAT WYRLEY
PENNY COURT




Unfurnished Second Floor Flat Lounge Kitchen 2 Bedrooms

Heating Double Glazing Parking EPC Rating G

£425 pcm & FEES - NO DSS

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KENILWORTH COURT



Unfurnished Second Floor Flat Lounge Kitchen 1 Bedroom

Heating Double Glazing Parking EPC Rating D

£395 pcm & FEES - NO DSS

HEDNESFORD
LONGACRES



Unfurnished First Floor Flat Lounge Kitchen 2 Bedrooms

Heating Double Glazing Parking EPC Rating F

£360 pcm & FEES - NO DSS

HEDNESFORD
ST STEPHENS COURT




Unfurnished Ground Floor Flat Lounge Kitchen 1 Bedroom

Electric Heating Double Glazing Parking EPC Rating C

£350 pcm & FEES - NO DSS

HEATH HAYES
HEATH WAY



Unfurnished Second Floor Flat Lounge Kitchen 2 Bedrooms

Electric Heating Double Glazing Parking EPC Rating D

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- One Bed Flat
- NO DEPOSIT OPTION
- Lounge/Kitchen
- Electric Heating
- Off Road Parking
- Energy Rating F
- NO DSS / PETS

£350 pcm

MORETON STREET, CHADSMOOR



- 1 Bed Flat
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Bathroom
- GCH & DG
- Off Road Parking
- EPC Pending
- NO DSS/PETS

£400 pcm

MORETON STREET, CHADSMOOR



- 1 Bed Flat
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Off Road Parking
- EPC Pending
- NO DSS/PETS

£425 pcm

WATLING STREET, CHURCHBRIDGE



- One Bed Flat
- FURNISHED
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Shower Room
- Heating & DG
- EPC Pending
- NO DSS OR PET

£410 PCM

CECIL STREET, CHADSMOOR



- Two Bed Mid
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen/Utility
- Bathroom
- DG & GCH
- Energy Rating D
- No DSS or Pets

£475 pcm

CECIL STREET, CHADSMOOR



- 2Bed End
- Lounge/Kitchen
- Utility Area
- GCH/DG
- Garden
- Energy Rating E
- NO DSS/Pets

£475

RAMILIES CRESCENT, GREAT WYRLEY



- 2Bed End Terrace
- Lounge/Kitchen
- GCH/DG
- Driveway
- Gardens
- Energy rating E
- No DSS/Pets

£525 pcm

WATERBROOK WAY, BRIDGTOWN



- 2 Bed Mid Town House
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- GCH/DG
- Rear Garden
- Allocated Parking
- Energy Rating C
- NO DSS/Pets

£575 pcm

COTSWOLD ROAD, HEDNESFORD



- 2 Bed Semi
- Lounge
- Breakfast Kitchen
- GCH/DG
- Off Road Parking
- EPC Pending
- NO DSS/PETS

£600 pcm

HUNTINGTON TERRACE ROAD, CANNOCK



- 2 Bed Semi
- Lounge/Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Study/Guest WC
- GCH
- Energy Rating C
- No DSS/Pets

£600 pcm

QUEEN STREET



- 3Bed Semi
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Bathroom
- GCH/DG
- Garden/Driveway
- Energy rating D
- No DSS/Pets

£650 pcm

BENTONS LANE, GREAT WYRLEY



- 2 Bed Semi
- Lounge/kitchen
- Utility Room
- GCH/DG
- Gardens
- Energy rating F
- No DSS/Pets

£650 pcm

PAGET MEWS, HEDNESFORD



- Well Presented 1st Floor Maisonette
- Lounge
- Re-Fitted Kitchen
- Double Bedroom
- Bathroom
- Communal Gardens & Allocated Parking
- Close to Town Centre, All Amenities Close By

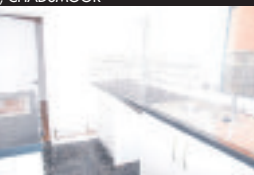
£79,950 No Chain

CANNOK ROAD, CHADSMOOR



- A Fully Re-furnished End Terrace
- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Re-Fitted Kitchen

£98,000 No Chain

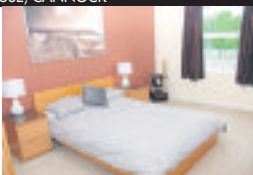


- Re-Fitted Bathroom
- Two Double Bedrooms
- DG/GCH
- Parking at Rear - Two Cars



- A Well Presented 2nd Floor Apartment
- Under floor heating throughout
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Two Double Bedrooms, Bathroom

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- Secure Allocated Parking
- Town Centre Location
- No Chain

BELT ROAD, HEDNESFORD



- Well Presented Semi Detached House
- Spacious Lounge
- Fitted Kitchen-Diner
- Rear Garden
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Fitted Bathroom
- Driveway

£115,000

LITTLEWORTH ROAD, HEDNESFORD



- A Very Well Presented and Improved Mid Terraced House
- GCH & D/G
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Modern Kitchen, Utility
- Guest WC/ Shower Room
- Three Bedrooms, Modern Bathroom
- Front and Rear Gardens & Parking to Rear

£122,500



ALLPORT STREET, CANNOCK



- A Traditional Mid Terraced House
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Kitchen, Ground Floor Bathroom
- Three Bedrooms

£130,000



- Rear Courtyard & Garden
- Parking at Rear, No Upward Chain

CHAPEL STREET, HEATH HAYES



- A Well Presented Three Bedroom Semi Detached House
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- En-suite and Bathroom
- Good Sized Rear Garden

£134,950

BIDEFORD WAY, CANNOCK



- An Extremely Well Presented Semi Detached House
- Much Improved & Extended Fitted Kitchen
- Impressive Conservatory
- Three Bedrooms, Re-fitted Shower Room
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Viewing Essential

£174,950

PYE GREEN ROAD, CANNOCK



- Extended and Much Improved Bungalow
- Reception Hall & Family Lounge
- Re-Fitted Kitchen, Utility
- Area
- Impressive Conservatory
- Two Double Bedrooms, Re-Fitted Bathroom
- Driveway & Gardens

£179,995

ST GEORGE DRIVE, RAWNSLEY



- A Spacious Three Bedroom Family Home
- Guest WC, Lounge, Dining Room
- Family Room
- Conservatory, Kitchen
- Three bedrooms, En-suite
- Re-Fitted Bathroom
- Front, Side & Rear Gardens
- Driveway

£185,000

PARTRIDGE CLOSE, HEATH HAYES



- Extremely Well Presented Detached House
- Entrance Hall & Guest WC
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- En-suite Shower Room
- Family Bathroom
- Gardens, Garage & Driveway

£200,000

CHURCH ROAD, NORTON CANES



- Well Presented Detached Family Home
- Family Lounge
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Well Stocked Rear Garden With Open Views
- Driveway & Garage

£220,000

HILLSIDE CLOSE, HEDNESFORD



- Spacious Semi Detached
- Lounge & Conservatory
- Kitchen & Family Room
- Ground Floor Bedroom & Ensuite Shower

£220,000

LONGFORD ROAD, CANNOCK



- Four 1st floor Bedrooms, Bathroom
- Master with Dressing Room/Study
- Driveway & Rear Garden

£335,000

BROMLEY CLOSE, HEDNESFORD



- Through Hallway & Guest WC
- Family Lounge & Dining Room
- Conservatory
- Kitchen & Utility Area

£247,500



- Four Bedrooms
- Ensuite & Family Bathroom
- Gardens
- Garage & Driveway

WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, CHESLYN HAY



- An Impressive Detached Bungalow
- Entrance Hall
- Impressive Open Plan Kitchen & Lounge Area
- Utility Room & Guest WC
- Impressive Bathroom
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Garage, Driveway & Gardens

£259,950 No Chain



- Well Presented Detached Family Home
- Well Stocked Rear Garden With Open Views
- Driveway & Garage



- A Deceptively Spacious Home
- Reception Hall
- Three Reception Rooms
- Kitchen, Conservatory
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Front & Extensive Rear Gardens
- Detached Garage & Driveway



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No hiding place in Juke!

If you need a car that blends into the background look somewhere else, Nissan's Juke has sold like hot cakes and the latest update keeps the design extreme but adds smarter technology, cleaner engines and more personalisation options.

Though the existing 110PS 1.5-litre dCi diesel continues unchanged, there's otherwise quite a bit of change to report beneath the Juke's stubby bonnet when it comes to the pair of petrol powerplants on offer: one is new to the Juke and the other extensively revised.

The 1.2-litre DIG-T petrol engine replaces the original model's aging 1.6-litre unit

and features turbocharging and direct injection to deliver 115ps and 190Nm of torque. Despite its modest size, this 1197cc turbo four packs a real punch, offering sharper acceleration and greater torque. The popular 1.6 DIG-T turbo petrol unit has been further improved to deliver lower end torque below 2,000rpm. Producing 190PS, this is available in both front and all-wheel drive versions. Go for an all-wheel drive variant and you have the option to specify the Xtronic transmission gearbox, which further improves fuel efficiency and acceleration.

The Juke's elevated stance but diminutive overall length doesn't promise a stellar driving experience, but as the last model proved, within a few yards you'll realise that this is a fun car to hustle about. Nissan Dynamic Control helps; an advanced driver control



FACT FILE

Nissan Juke

PRICES: £13,930

INSURANCE: 11E-20

CO2: [1.2 DIG-T] 126g/km

PERFORMANCE: [1.5 dCi] 0-60 10.8s / top speed 109mph

ECONOMY: [1.5 dCi] (combined) 61.4 mpg

SAFETY: stability control, traction control, ABS with EBA, EBD, twin front, side and curtain airbags

system giving the choice of three different driving modes, Normal, Sport or Eco, along with instant driving information and vehicle setting controls.

The torque vectoring system on the latest all-wheel drive model incorporates technology that Nissan initially used to such devastating effect on their GT-R supercar-slayer.

Yes, the Juke does still look like either something dredged up from the abyssal depths of the ocean or a fun, friendly and futuristic little runabout, depending on your perspective.

Whichever camp you're in, you have to

hand it to Nissan for not losing its resolve and watering this version down. Nissan also offers coloured inserts which can be applied to the mirror caps, side sills, roof spoiler and door handles in order to further personalise the exterior.

The Juke has deservedly carved itself a lucrative niche for itself with an inexpensive vehicle that drives well, is cheap to run and which isn't afraid to assert its own personality.

The latest changes add tech inside and some uprated petrol engines. It continues to be the car that none of its rivals have come close to answering.

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Suzuki is remaining true to its principles

Commercial feature

With the current generation version of their Swift supermini, Suzuki has stayed true to the design principles that have long served them in the small car sector, low running costs, high quality and a spacious cabin being the highlights.

For the latest model year, the design gets minor visual tweaks, the option of 4WD and a five-door body-style alternative for the top Sport hot hatch.

Nearly all UK Swift customers choose 93bhp 1.2-litre petrol power in this car – so many in fact that the old 1.3-litre DDiS diesel unit has been discontinued.

Thanks to an advanced variable valve timing system that controls the intake and exhaust valves on each cylinder to optimise performance, the green pump 1.2 is reassuringly high-tech.

Its useful output is a lot for a 1.2-litre engine, as is its 118Nm of torque.

The 0-62mph trial takes 12.3s and the top speed is 103mph.

Treated

If you haven't checked out this Swift for some time but are familiar with the model, you might notice that the latest versions have been lately treated to a minor wash and brush-up running to things like a re-designed front bumper and grille and silver detailing to the lower front bumper.

For added safety and style, a neater LED-type high level brake lamp has been added. Plus there's a reasonable 204-litre boot.

The Vitara, Suzuki's latest compact crossover, aims to build a lot of talent into four metres. With a choice of petrol or diesel, front or all-wheel drive and styling that's more assured than anything Suzuki has brought us before, it looks to be a competitive proposition.

The mechanicals are shared as they are with the existing SX-4 S-Cross. So buyers get to choose between either a 1.6-litre petrol engine or a much preferable Fiat-sourced 118bhp 1.6 diesel, both being offered in front or four-wheel drive guises.

Gearbox

The petrol engine is fitted with a five-speed manual gearbox as standard, with an optional CVT transmission also offered.

Go diesel and you get a six-speed manual gearbox.

The short overhangs will help with off-roading but ground clearance isn't that generous.

The ALLGRIP four-wheel-drive transmission features an electronically controlled clutch pack, controlled by a four-position switch on the centre console.

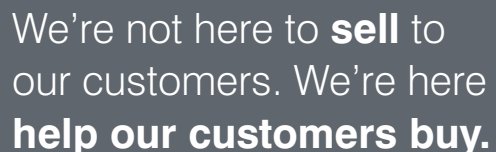
With tight proportions and a front end that has more than a hint of current Land Rover design about it, the Vitara is quite an assured piece of design work. There's also a blacked-out floating glasshouse, heavily sculpted flanks and a very neat tail-lamp finish.

Buyers can also specify a rugged package which adds front and rear skidplates as well as additional body side mouldings.

The quality of Suzuki cabins has improved considerably in recent times and you'll find chrome around the Vitara's gearlever and door trims plus an analogue clock.

It's by no means a large vehicle, breaking the tape at just over four metres long, but still features a 375-litre boot. That's competitive with the majority of rivals.

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In just one month, Volvo has been presented with five separate awards, which focus on technology, quality and safety, beating tough competition.

Paul Garbett from Brindley Wolverhampton commented: "With renowned safety, quality and dependability, and a new-found style and desirability, the latest Volvo range is certainly making

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The XC90 was named the Car Dealer Power Car of the Year 2016, as voted for by hundreds of independent and franchised dealers across the UK. For the second year running, the XC90 was also awarded Best Large SUV by consumer champions Auto Express.

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More recently, and available now from Brindley's Volvo Selekt Approved Used Car programme, the V40 took the Co-op Safe Used Car 2016 award. The inaugural Co-op Insurance award celebrates the safest used cars typically bought by families in the UK.

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Mitsubishi Outlander has a keen price and is well-built

By James Parker

The Mitsubishi Outlander makes an interesting choice if you're looking for a reliable, well-equipped seven-seater that's keenly priced, decently built and more sharply styled in this improved MK3 model guise.

As before, there are two engines on offer, an 150PS 2.2-litre diesel, mated to an all-wheel drive chassis. And a clever PHEV plug-in hybrid petrol/electric variant that's selling like hotcakes.

As before, in its most conventional form, this Outlander features a 150PS 2.2-litre diesel engine, offered with a choice of six-speed manual or automatic transmission. The auto does add 1.5 seconds to the manual car's sprint to 62mph, stretching it out to 11.2 seconds. Both cars register an identical 124mph top speed.

The alternative is the PHEV Plug-in hybrid variant, which offers a 2.0-litre petrol engine aided by a 70KW generator and a couple of 80bhp electric motors, one at the front, one at the rear, giving all wheel drive and a combined power output in the region of 220bhp.

It's quite a remarkable vehicle, which most of the time will operate under battery power alone across its three driving modes.

Mode

Switch to its third 'Parallel Hybrid driving mode, which adds the resources of the petrol engine driving the front wheels, and you'll have a driving range claimed at 547 miles.

These facelifted models feature an attractive revised look. The changes make this Outlander look a little lower and sleeker than its predecessor. Inside, updates to the cabin make the fascia look simpler and classier and there are plenty of soft-touch finishes.

Moving back into the second row, there's reasonable space for two adults – or three at a squish. There's flexibility thanks to the way the bench can slide backwards and forwards by as much as 250mm.

Practicality

You can only have two rows in the PHEV hybrid model, but it's the only area of practicality that was compromised by the battery installation.

If you've chosen a model in which seating is possible in the luggage compartment, you access the rearmost section of the car via a sliding walk-in function and head in to find that there are two separate properly-sprung seats with integral head restraints and reclining backrests. They're small but at least there's the feeling that this Mitsubishi is a proper seven-seater.

With running costs, the entry-level diesel variant manages 53.3mpg on the combined cycle and 139g/km of CO₂.

Go for the PHEV petrol/electric hybrid and there's a big step up, with a quoted combined cycle fuel figure of 156mpg and 42g/km of CO₂.

This plug-in hybrid can drive for over 32 miles on a full electric charge and can be fast-charged to 80 per cent in 30 minutes!

Mitsubishi is doing well with this generation Outlander model, much of the technology is genuinely forward-thinking, even if you don't opt for a Plug-in hybrid variant that sets new standards, not only for Crossovers of this kind but also for family cars as a whole.



Fabia and Yeti make a pretty good pair from Skoda

By James Parker

Skoda has upped the ante with its third-generation Fabia, introducing sharper, more assertive styling and clever tech that the company hopes will bring down the average age of its customers.

With more space inside, increased scope for personalisation and better efficiency from its engines, the Fabia gets the basics spot on.

Power in the mainstream line-up comes courtesy of three- and four-cylinder diesel and petrol engines, with outputs ranging between 59bhp to 108bhp.

Around 90 per cent of sales will be petrol-powered, split between the 1.2-litre four and 1.0-litre three-cylinder engines. The 1.2-litre unit is markedly quicker and more refined and Skoda has worked hard to endow the Fabia with a supple ride, decent body control and low-effort steering.

This Skoda is designed to be practical and the company has announced a range of Simply Clever features.

The biggie is MirrorLink technology. This allows smartphone apps to be displayed on the screen of the infotainment system which, amongst other things, takes the use of navigation software or personal music files to a new level. There's a multimedia device cradle in the centre console, an ice scraper in the fuel filler cap and a high-vis vest, now mandatory in many countries, in a convenient dedicated storage compartment in the driver's door.

Will this Fabia reprise the success of its predecessors? We wouldn't bet against it.

Capable

The Yeti is much improved and Skoda has provided us with a highly credible family crossover. It's smarter and more capable than before and also comes with an off road-orientated Outdoor bodystyle that allows you to take up the option of the brands much improved 4x4 system.

Though this segment's more demanding than it used to be, this Skoda's tougher too. You can see why so many people like it.

With this Yeti, you get a decent choice beneath the bonnet and also choose between front and all-wheel drive, plus manual or automatic dual clutch transmissions.

Petrol people get a 1.2-litre TSI unit and comes only with 2WD, while diesel drivers are given a 2.0-litre TDI powerplant with either 110 or 150PS and either front or 4WD options. The off-road function offers a softened throttle response for better control on the loose as well as a hill descent mode that maintains a constant speed on descents.

With electronically controlled fifth generation Haldex all-wheel drive and a ground clearance of 180mm, the outdoor versions are terrain-ready. The electronic differential lock also promises a smooth and comfortable start and grip on various road surfaces.

The Yeti features stylised front and rear elements such as beefy bumpers, an under-ride guard, side mouldings and door sills.

The fronts of both variants are horizontally more accentuated and feature a distinctive grille and redesigned headlights, available as an option with Bi-Xenon headlights featuring integrated LED daytime running lights.

The Yeti remains very appealing. It's spacious, safe, drives well, has a cool but understated image and extremely low running costs. This current car adds equipment, tidies the interior and tweaks the styling. In truth, not a lot needed changing.

The Yeti remains a class act in a market full of try-hard rivals.



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Hyundai i10 is on the prize

By James Parker

Hyundai is looking for its i10 city car to step up from being merely branded good value for money to being considered best in class – or thereabouts. With smart styling, plenty of space inside, strong equipment levels and a focus on refinement, it's in with a genuine shot.

It's a bigger car than its predecessor, adding 80mm to the length and 65mm to the width. It sits 50mm lower too, helping it avoid the Noddy-car look of many city cars.

The arched sill finisher on the flanks is an idea that looks to have been cribbed from Renault but works extremely well in giving the sides some shape and depth. The big front air dam looks surprisingly sporty, giving the i10 a much more dynamic look than many deliberately cutesy small cars. Inside, the i10 offers best-in-class legroom and cargo capacity.

Front and rear passengers benefit from combined legroom of 1,890mm, while boot capacity has been boosted by more than 10 per cent to 252 litres with all seats in place. By contrast, a Skoda Citigo offers 251 litres, so Hyundai just squeaks in above the class benchmark.

Buyers choose between 66PS 1.0-litre or 87PS 1.2-litre petrol engines.

The latest model has targeted improving refinement as a key priority. The suspension has been given a thorough working over to improve ride quality and reduce noise. The longer wheelbase and better quality relocated dampers will help here, improving body control over road imperfections.

The Hyundai i10 might be an inexpensive car, but it's also a hugely significant one. When conditions are tough, buyers increasingly look to limit their expenditure and often downsize their automotive choices.

There's certainly more temptation to do so now that models of this kind offer the sort of fit, finish, refinement and equipment that we used to expect in a good family hatch.

The i10 is a good example of this trend, also offering tidy styling, plenty of space inside and low running costs.

Factor in a five year/unlimited mileage warranty arrangement and the i10 looks able to compete with the class best, even when it's pitched at much the same price as them. That's a clear statement of intent from Hyundai.

It's evidence of real confidence in their product and the Koreans are bullish about its prospects. After a first look, it appears their optimism may be well-founded.

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Latin-style back in for SEAT with rise in sales

With a raft of stunning award-winning new models released last year, SEAT's inexorable rise continues. The brand has reported record sales in the UK and the Spanish brand has rediscovered its reputation for eye-catching Latin style.

Leon

The new third generation Leon family is very attractively styled, even sportier to drive, classier inside and out and fitted with super-efficient engines and plenty of hi-tech equipment. Little wonder then that the stunning Leon 5-door hatch, sleekly-styled Leon SC three-door sports coupe and hot Leon Cupra model are in such high demand. So are Leon ST estate models, the latest of which is the high performance ST Cupra 280. Then there's the Leon X-PERIENCE, a very credible ruggedised all-wheel drive Leon ST estate. The Leon range is exactly the car the Spanish brand needs to resurrect its fortunes in the Focus-class sector.

Mii

Also achieving sales success for SEAT is the Mii citycar which offers the Spanish manufacturer a leading role in a sub-supermini segment. SEAT has added a thoughtful value proposition to a car that's undoubtedly spacious, frugal and clever.

Ibiza

The revised fourth generation Ibiza supermini offers small car buyers a smarter set of more eco-conscious hi-tech talents. Whichever Ibiza bodystyle you choose – five-door hatch, ST estate or the sportier three-door SC, you should be delighted with your choice.

If you're a practically-minded family buyer on a supermini budget who really needs the kind of space you'd find on something much bigger, then you're target market for SEAT's attractive fourth generation Toledo four-door saloon, now even more affordable and well equipped. With space for five, durable build quality, low running costs and an enormous boot, it's a lot of car for the money.

Alhambra

With up to seven seats that fold into the floor thanks to the Easy-Fold seating system, sliding side doors and a plethora of storage options give it strong practical credentials. SEAT's big latest Alhambra is one of the best models in its seven-seat MPV class. Modern turbocharged engines keep costs down too.

Ateca

SEAT's latest model is the Ateca. It looks a strong proposition in the family Crossover segment. It's well priced, sharply-styled and offers the sporty feel the sector seems to want. In fact, you wonder why it took the Spanish brand so long to bring us a car like this.

Under skin, the Ateca sits on the same MQB platform as its more conventional Leon stablemate and uses most of the same mechanicals found in Volkswagen's very similar Tiguan model. Inside, its fit and finish is of high quality.

In the front, there's decent room for two adults on supportive seats. It's the same in the back. The boot's a bit smaller than that pricier Volkswagen rival model, but it will easily swallow a couple of big cases and a pushchair. You access it via a tailgate offering the option of power operation: it's one of those you can activate by waving your foot beneath the bumper.

SEAT promises a line-up of petrol and diesel engines ranging in power from 115 to 190PS – expect a couple of petrol units and three diesels.

There's the choice of six-speed manual or optional dual-clutch automatic transmission, plus four-wheel drive will be available on the diesels.

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The process of buying a new car is often an exciting one, considering you will likely get the opportunity to specify every little detail, down to the floor mats, yourself. That being said, purchasing a new set of wheels is also likely to be one of the most expensive purchases you will make, next to buying a new house.

It therefore pays to ask yourself what you want out of your new car, what your options are, and what sort of money you're prepared to spend. To help out, we've put together the following tips to point you in the right direction.

- What is your budget?
This should be the most important question you ask yourself. You don't want to end up in a situation where you can't afford to keep your car on the road, or pay the instalments on the car's finance plan. Before even looking at a new car, sit down and work out what you can realistically spend acquiring one. Remember, you shouldn't only factor in the cost to buy the car itself; things like insurance, petrol and tax all need to be taken into consideration.
- Will the type of car you want suit your needs?
Once you're clued up on how much you can actually spend, you will need to decide on a shortlist. Part of this will be identifying a type of car which will be capable of keeping up with your lifestyle needs.
- What will the car be used for on a daily basis?
Will it be a school-run machine packed with kids, or a Sunday driver that is only taken out for a spin on the weekends? Remember, while a small, sporty convertible may sound like an appealing idea, if you need to ship multiple children to and from school, friends' houses and sports practice, it might not be such a wise decision.



- How much do cars like the one you want sell for further down the line?
No one likes depreciation. It's a thorn in the side of anyone who has forked out large sums of their hard-earned cash to purchase a new motor for themselves, and is therefore a seriously important consideration. Certain cars lose their value more quickly than others, so it pays to do a bit of research into this. Premium cars may cost more to purchase upfront than their cheaper equivalents, but they tend to hold their value better too. You will also need to think about what options you specify, as these will not only increase the cost of the car, they can also affect resale value. Leather seats might be nice to have, but they aren't really expected on something like a cheap city car – so will only leave you out of pocket in the long run.
- Where are you buying your car from? Dealer, broker or online?

Buying from a franchised dealer will often mean you get decent after-sales support, as well as assistance from knowledgeable staff. However, it might also expose you to pushy salespeople vying to meet their targets by offering you extras you may not need. Make sure you know what you want before going down this route.

Brokers can help take the stress out of purchasing a new car, especially if you don't care too much about the specification or optional extras that come with a car. Bear in mind, though, that you may not be able to see the car in person, and you won't receive the same advice as you would going through a dealer.

Buying online is another option, and it's often a good way of seeing what your options are in terms of price. As with brokers, however, you may not be able to view the car in the metal or give it a test drive before purchase.



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Back to basics in MX-5

Lighter, sharper and better engineered than the car it replaced, this fourth-generation Mazda MX-5 does everything right. It's offered with a 1.5 or 2.0-litre petrol engine and what it lacks in outright power it more than makes up in agility and tactility.

This rejection of a more is better philosophy is a bit of a running theme throughout this MX-5. The car's offered with either a 1.5-litre 131PS engine or a 2.0-litre 160PS unit.

Mazda's chassis engineers will steer you to the 1.5-litre powerplant as they feel it's the purest specification for the MX-5 and also the lightest, tipping the scales at around the tonne. That makes this the lightest MX-5 since the original first generation car of the Nineties.

This fourth generation design conforms to five key criteria that Mazda claim define the MX-5 – rear drive with a front-mid engine layout, 50/50 weight distribution and an eagerness to change direction, plus a low kerb weight and an affordable price.

All models get six-speed manual gearboxes.

The MX-5 is about agility and tactility. Its new engines are smaller which allows them to be tucked down and back in the car.

That means they can be set 13mm lower and 15mm further back than on the previous car.

Weight has been pared back by using aluminium for the bonnet, boot and front wings, while the soft top hood is also lighter, improving the centre of gravity.

The shape of the MX-5 hasn't changed radically from generation to generation. This

one's no exception, but there's a bit more aggression about the detailing. See one in the metal and you'll be amazed at just how tiny it is.

It's fully 105mm shorter in overall length than its predecessor, despite the wheelbase only being 15mm less. It also stands 20mm lower and 10mm wider.

Weight is the enemy. Excess weight dulls a car's responses, making it harder to turn, stop and accelerate, ensuring that it drinks more fuel and puts greater stresses on virtually every moving part, parts which then have to be made heavier to cope.

The Mazda MX-5 reverses that cycle, stripping weight off which in turn allows it to pare more weight back with other simple lightweight componentry. It's a brilliant piece of engineering.

It also goes to show that you can probably have more fun with 1.5 litres worth of MX-5 than you can with some supercars. No, that's not hyperbole.

Try it and you'll see. If you measure your cars in terms of smiles per mile, the MX-5 has to be right near the top of your shortlist.

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Mazda MX-5 range

PRICES: £18,495 - £24,295

INSURANCE: 25-29

CO2: 139-161g/km

PERFORMANCE: [1.5] 0-62mph

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2016, aged 79 years.

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Carol and beloved Dad of
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Frank William

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July 28, 2016, aged 87 years.

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August 26, at 11.15am,
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LEACH

David John

(G6RDL)

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Wednesday 27, July 2016, aged
74 years.

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loving Wife Violet and all his
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The Funeral Service will be
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public & legal notices

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A full version of this application can be viewed at The Licensing Unit, Cannock Chase District Council, Civic Centre, Beecroft Road, Cannock. Representations should be made in writing within 28 days of the date of the publication of this notice, to: The Head of Environmental Health, Cannock Chase District Council, Civic Centre, PO Box 28, Beecroft Road, Cannock, WS11 1BG. e-mail: licensingunit@cannockchasedc.gov.uk Phone 01543 462621 Fax: 01543 464489
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STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 (AS AMENDED) ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 POWER STATION ROAD, RUGLEY DIVERSION OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC
NOTICE is hereby given that the Staffordshire County Council, on 16 August 2016, made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit any vehicle from proceeding in that length of Power Station Road, Rugley between its junctions with Leathermill Lane and A51 Rugley Bypass unless the vehicle is being used in connection with the works, or is being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes. Frontagers will be given access to their properties via either end of Power Station Road, dependant on where the surfacing operation is being undertaken. Pedestrian access will be maintained.
The preferred alternative route for traffic will be available via Power Station Road, B5013 Station Road, A51 Rugley Eastern Bypass, Power Station Road and vice versa.
The Order will come into operation on 24 August 2016, and the said works will commence on or as near as practicable to that date (closures will be in place daily between 07:30hrs and 17:00hrs). It is anticipated that the works will be completed by 26 August 2016.
The Order will remain in force for a period of 18 months or until the carriageway resurfacing works, which it is proposed to carry out on or near the road, have been completed, whichever is the earlier.
John Tradewell, Director for Strategy, Governance and Change 2 Staffordshire Place, Tipping Street, Stafford. ST16 2DH
Ref: S31026; Enquiries: Customer Contact Centre; Tel: 0300 111 8000 http://roadworks.org
Date: 18 August 2016

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 (AS AMENDED) ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 DEVON ROAD, CANNOCK DIVERSION OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC
NOTICE is hereby given that the Staffordshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit any vehicle from proceeding in that length of Devon Road, Cannock between its junctions with A5190 Lichfield Road and Surrey Close unless the vehicle is being used in connection with the works; or is being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes. Frontagers will be given access to their properties via Lichfield Road or Rumer Hill Road, dependant on where the surfacing operation is being undertaken. Pedestrian access will be maintained.
The preferred alternative route for traffic will be available via A5190 Lichfield Road, A4601 Church Street, A34 from Church Street roundabout to Walsall Road, A34 Mill Street, A34 Walsall Road, Rumer Hill Road and vice versa.
The Order will come into operation on 4 September 2016, and the said works will commence on or as near as practicable to that date (taking place daily between the hours of 08:00 and 17:00). It is anticipated that the works will be completed by 5 September 2016.
The Order will remain in force for a period of 18 months or until the carriageway resurfacing works, which it is proposed to carry out on or near the road, have been completed, whichever is the earlier.
John Tradewell, Director for Strategy, Governance and Change 2 Staffordshire Place, Tipping Street, Stafford. ST16 2DH
Ref: S31015; Enquiries: Customer Contact Centre; Tel: 0300 111 8000 http://roadworks.org
Date: 18 August 2016

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 (AS AMENDED) ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 GREEN HEATH ROAD, HEDNESFORD, CANNOCK DIVERSION OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC
NOTICE is hereby given that the Staffordshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit any vehicle from proceeding in that length of Green Heath Road, Hednesford, Cannock between its junctions with Stanley Road and Blewitt Street unless the vehicle is being used in connection with the works; or unless the vehicle requires access to premises on the length of road or is being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes. The closure will not impact on pedestrians and full access to footpath will be available.

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10 Personals

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The Order will come into operation on 5 September 2016 at approximately 08:00, and the said works will commence on or as near as practicable to that date. It is anticipated that the works will be completed by approximately 17:00 on 16 September 2016.

The Order will remain in force for a period of 18 months or until the Severn Trent Water works, which it is proposed to carry out on or near the road, have been completed, whichever is the earlier.

John Tradewell, Director for Strategy, Governance and Change 2 Staffordshire Place, Tipping Street, Stafford. ST16 2DH
Ref: S30729; Enquiries: Customer Contact Centre; Tel: 0300 111 8000 http://roadworks.org
Date: 18 August 2016

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 (AS AMENDED) ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 BLAKENEY WAY, CANNOCK DIVERSION OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC

NOTICE is hereby given that the Staffordshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit any vehicle from proceeding in that length of Blakeney Way, Cannock between its junctions with Norton Hall Lane and Morston Court unless the vehicle is being used in connection with the works; or is being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes. Pedestrian access will be maintained. Frontagers will be given access to their properties via either end of Blakeney Way, dependant on where the surfacing operation is being undertaken.
The preferred alternative route for traffic will be available via Gemini Way, Orbital Way, A460 Eastern Way, A5 Watling Street, Washbrook Lane and vice versa.

The Order will come into operation on 6 September 2016, and the said works will commence on or as near as practicable to that date (taking place daily between the hours of 19:00 and 06:00). It is anticipated that the works will be completed by 8 September 2016.

The Order will remain in force for a period of 18 months or until the carriageway resurfacing works, which it is proposed to carry out on or near the road, have been completed, whichever is the earlier.

John Tradewell, Director for Strategy, Governance and Change 2 Staffordshire Place, Tipping Street, Stafford. ST16 2DH
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Date: 18 August 2016

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ACT 2004

The Staffordshire County Council (South Staffordshire) (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) Order No. 1 (Amendment) No. 40/20xx

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 - Full details of these proposals are in the draft Order which, together with a plan showing the roads involved and a statement of the County Council's reasons for proposing to make the Order, may be examined during normal office hours at the office of the Director for Economy, Infrastructure and Skills, 1 Staffordshire Place, Tipping Street, Stafford, ST16 2DH and during normal opening hours at Great Wyrley Library, Quinton Court, Wards Lane, Great Wyrley, WS56 6DY or via the internet at www.staffordshire.gov.uk/trafficregulationorders
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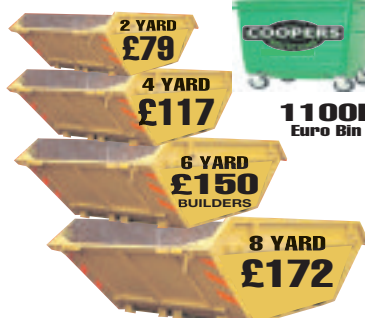
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Committee members Malcolm Raybould, Dave McLean, Brian Lester, Roger Brindley and Simon Cater



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Roger Brindley hands over a cheque to Simon Cater



A Pensnett Panthers quartet with the County Cup



Bradmore Social's Lee Brookes with Brian Lester

Beacon League teams make light work of a successful season

AN established league is ringing in the changes as it kicks off its 40th anniversary season.

At the league's end-of-season 2015/16 awards, Beacon League chairman Brian Lester heaped praise on the achievements of its member clubs. Now, a new format has been introduced for the new campaign, which bosses believe could go some way to saving the amateur game in the Midlands.

Last saw 17 teams compete across two Sunday football divisions. The league has managed to retain that same number for the forthcoming season, but will operate across a single division.

Ceremony

Teams will play each other just once, competing for the Redbox Beacon Championship. An added change is that once the regular season has finished, the league will be split into two groups, with the top half competing for the Martyn Chell Cup and the remainder vying for the Clinton Cup, sponsored by Lawsons.

These changes will see teams again meeting just once, the top four contesting semi-finals then a final over the second half of the campaign. All teams will be entered into the NDT-sponsored Lester Charity Cup, which is run on a straight knockout basis.

SPORTING FEATURE

By Dave McLean

"We've had a very successful season, particularly in the two outside cups that are run by Birmingham County FA."

The 2015/16 awards ceremony gave members the chance to reflect on a season in which Beacon teams excelled both on the domestic front and in outside cup competitions.

First Division Pensnett Panthers and Premier Division Dynamo Dudley reached their respective Sunday Amateur Cup and Vase county finals, with success going to the former.

The duo also won their league championships, while Dynamo completed a superb treble, winning the NDT (Midlands) Premier Cup for a third consecutive year and lifting the Lester Charity Cup.

Springvale Steelers Academy were the other major league winners, defeating Pensnett Panthers in a

thrilling Falcon Insurance Beacon final and also finishing runners-up in the First Division.

Members from each of the winning teams were present to collect awards, while Bradmore Social's Lee Brookes was named secretary of the year and a cheque for £210 was presented to Compton Hospice fundraiser Simon Cater from league treasurer Roger Brindley. Newcomers New Park Village scooped the fair play award.

Tremendous

Lester said: "I think we've had a very successful season, particularly in the two outside cups that are run by Birmingham County FA. Pensnett's victory in the county final was a tremendous achievement for the league, while Dynamo Dudley also represented the league with pride and no less little impressive football."

"It's been a very good season in terms of what we've done on the pitch, and one of the more pleasing aspects for me was when I've been round the grounds and watched matches."

"It's been a partnership very much between ourselves (the committee) and the club's and particularly the new clubs, who have said how much they enjoyed the season with us."

Sponsors are being sought for the Chell Cup. To help, call league development officer Dave Clinton on 07964 730275.

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Late bursts give Pitmen the points

Hednesford Town 3 Spennymoor Town 1
THE Pitmen came from behind to claim victory in a classic game of two halves.

Three goals in the final half-hour turned the Evo Stik Northern Premier game round. Liam McDonald's first league game in charge of the Pitmen saw his new side get off to a slow start and they fell behind in the fifth minute when goalkeeper Dan Crane could do nothing about Craig Gott's 25-yard effort.

The Pitmen suffered another blow in the 33rd minute when defender Francino Francis was forced off with a neck injury. McDonald's side started the second half in determined mood. However, Hednesford levelled in the 61st minute when Sammons hassled Curtis into an error and capitalised by firing into the roof of the net from six yards.

The Pitmen suffered a second injury blow midway through the second period when Lewis Wright (leg) had to be substituted, leaving midfielder Simeon Maye to fill in at right-back.

A second Hednesford goal arrived with 10 minutes to go as Dunkley raced onto a through ball and brushed aside a defender before poking the ball past a flat-footed Rafferty. And the Pitmen added a third with three minutes to go. Substitute Gurjit Singh broke forward and fired in an effort from 20 yards.

Stourbridge 1 Hednesford Town 2
Hednesford made it back-to-back wins with a last-gasp smash and grab raid at Stourbridge on Monday.

It looked as though the points would be shared until George Carline volleyed in an injury-time winner for the Pitmen.

It was the home side who had taken the lead on 12 minutes through Kayelden Brown. The Pitmen levelled on 33 minutes thanks to a thundering 22-yard shot from Tris Dunkley.

Horton grabs late goal to complete Hayes fightback

Heath Hayes 2 Heather St John 1
A LATE fightback saw Heath Hayes claim the points in this Midland Football League Division One opener.

The home side were outplayed for 70 minutes and trailed to a fine Josh Wilson goal but Joe Hartshorne levelled on 78 minutes before Reece Horton snatched the winner as the visitors tired.

Hayes could not get into the game, with far too many passes going astray, and their only moment of note in the first half was a tremendous 50-yard run from fullback Liam Holmes who beat six players before being dispossessed at the vital moment.

Heather St John had a series of near-misses early on and it was no surprise when they scored on 24 minutes.

Jay Ambula and Anton Rose combined to set up Wilson whose 20-yarder gave keeper Mark Wiggins no chance.

Wiggins was in outstanding form to keep his side in it and they reaped their reward when Hartshorne fired home. Hayes substitute Brad Grice saw his late header saved only for Horton to head home the rebound for an unlikely win.

Firm makes light work of donation



Karen Johnstone, of MEL and Scott Smith

THE operators of the M6toll have made light work of a donation towards Hednesford Town's Supporters' Association.

Midland Expressway Ltd (MEL) visited Keys Park to hand over a cheque for £1,000. The money will be used to improve the lighting at the ground and on the approach to the stadium.

Supporters' Association chairman Scott Smith said: "We are so grateful to Midland Expressway Ltd for providing such a generous donation. This funding will help brighten up some areas of Keys Park that are currently very dark due to them being in an area with no floodlights. Our support

base consists of many Hednesford residents and we feel that these improvements will increase their overall enjoyment of the facility and provide a better match day atmosphere."

Karen Johnstone, MEL Social Committee member said: "I think our donation will make a real difference to the facility and improve the match day experience for the local community who support and visit Keys Park."

Each year, MEL donates £50,000 through its Drive for Charity project. MEL's Social Committee works closely with members of staff to choose community projects to benefit.

Season starts with a defeat for Scholars

Chasetown 1 Shaw Lane 3
A NEW-LOOK Chasetown team suffered an opening day home defeat to last year's runners-up, Shaw Lane.

They fielded no fewer than seven debutants and almost fell behind inside two minutes. Kieron Lugsdens went round goalkeeper John Bateman but saw his effort cleared off the line by Matt Wood.

The Scholars lost left-back Wood to a 12th-minute injury in the Evo-Stik Division One South game and shuffled their line-up to move winger Peter Till to right-back and another debutant, Matt Curley, from right to left. Returning striker Ryan Wynter came off the bench into midfield.

Visiting striker Gavin Allott also had an effort cleared off the line by Jack Langston as the Yorkshire men dominated. Shaw Lane were dominant and took the lead with a low shot from Gavin Allott midway through the half.

They doubled the advantage in the 41st minute with a Jonathan Wafala header in off the post from a corner.

Chasetown got one back after keeper Jon Stewart fouled Paul Sullivan just outside the area.

Stewart received a straight red card and Jack Langston marked his debut with a low free kick that sub keeper Mateusz Zaniewski was unable to keep out.

Zaniewski was yellow carded for time-wasting taking so long to enter the field of play as substitute.

Chasetown forced their opponents back and Mitch Piggott twice went close before Nathan Rooney fired an effort into the side netting.

The 10 men were camped in their own half but got a third goal with an Allott penalty.

Chasetown: Bateman, Curley, Wood (Wynter, 12 mins), Slater, Ashman, Dance, Rooney, Langston, Piggott, Sullivan, Till. Subs (not used): Kiambi, Ruff, Banks.

Hockey club appoint development officer

CANNOCK Hockey Club have appointed Jude Hitchens as their new community club development officer.

Hitchens, who has played for Cannock Ladies over the last three decades, will take responsibility for developing the membership and promoting the sport in the community. This will include developing links with primary and secondary schools as well as launching a new 'back-2-hockey' scheme to take place at Cannock Hockey Club from September.

"I am so happy to be playing such a key role at the club I love," she said. Visit www.cannockhockey.org or email communitycoach@cannockhc.co.uk

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